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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
OF  
WILMINGTON, MASS.

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1931



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**ELECTED AND APPOINTED**

**TOWN OFFICERS, 1931**

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**SELECTMEN AND BOARD OF SURVEY**

HAROLD E. MELZAR, Chairman

WALTER G. BUCKLE

JOHN T. HOLMES

**Board of Public Welfare**

CHARLES H. BLACK

Term expires 1934

GARDNER I. RITCHIE

Term expires 1933

MRS. WINIFRED N. NORTON

Term expires 1932

**Assessors**

FRANK L. EAMES

Term expires 1932

GEORGE W. BUCK

Term expires 1933

J. HOWARD EAMES

Term expires 1934

**Town Clerk**

RALPH R. CURRIER

**Treasurer**

FRANK L. EAMES

**Collector of Taxes**

GEORGE W. BUCK

**Town Accountant**

HARRY R. DEMING

Term expires 1934

**Constable**

WALTER A. HILL

**Police Department**

WALTER A. HILL, Chief

**Regular Police Officers**

ALBERT D. BUTTERS

HARRY J. LOCKE

**Special Police**

WALTER F. ELLSWORTH (deceased)

ALEXANDER BRABANT

GEORGE F. NEWCOMB

FRANCIS S. HOBAN

HERBERT F. JOHNSON

LLOYD LEWIS

DONALD W. FOSTER

FREDERICK A. FIELD

HARRY G. PEARSON

VINAL E. LEWIS

JOHN D. PALACE

GEORGE E. MACKEN

CHARLES D. REILLY

**Keeper of Lock-up**

WALTER A. HILL

**Dog Officer**

CHARLES D. REILLY

**Registrars of Voters**

THOMAS J. MORLEY

HENRY A. McMAHON

ALDICE G. EAMES

RALPH R. CURRIER, Clerk of Board

Term expires 1934

Term expires 1932

Term expires 1933

**Fence Viewers**

JOHN T. HOLMES

JEROME J. O'LEARY

HAROLD E. MELZAR

**Field Driver**

CHARLES D. REILLY

**Pound Keeper**

CHARLES D. REILLY

**Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber**

HERBERT C. BARROWS  
 SCHAMIEL R. McINTOSH  
 WALTER L. HALE  
 ARNOLD D. CARTER

HARRY R. DEMING  
 EDWARD N. EAMES  
 ARTHUR W. EAMES  
 WILFRED A. ANDREWS

**Measurers of Leather**

REGINALD J. FROTTON

LAWRENCE M. HARRIMAN

**Public Weighers of Merchandise**

FRED W. CARTER  
 CLIFFORD GATES  
 HARRY R. DEMING  
 GEORGE A. McFADYEN

WALTER L. HALE  
 WALTER L. HALE, JR.  
 MRS. WALTER L. HALE  
 ALGOT L. OSTERMAN

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

J. FRANK MUSE

**Janitor of Town Hall**

OLIVER A. McGRANE (Resigned)  
 ERNEST W. EAMES

**Superintendent of Streets**

D. ROBERT CARTER

**Board of Health**

SELECTMEN

DR. LYMAN R. ORTON, Agent

**Inspector of Animals**

WINSLOW E. MERRILL, Veterinary

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

ARTHUR W. SPRAGUE

**Chief of Fire Department**

EDWIN L. DAY

**Assistant Chief of Fire Department**

WINFRED W. RICE

**Captain Fire Department**

CHESTER T. HORTON

**Forest Fire Warden**

EDWIN L. DAY

**Forest Fire Patrol**

JAMES CASTINE

**Deputy Forest Fire Wardens**

HERBERT C. BARROWS

WINFRED W. RICE

CHESTER T. HORTON

ROBERT WOOD

**Water Commissioners**

CALEB S. HARRIMAN, Chairman

Term expires 1933

LOUIS T. McMAHON, Secretary

Term expires 1932

ALDEN N. EAMES

Term expires 1934

**Superintendent of Water Department**

DONALD W. FOSTER

**Cemetery Commissioners**

GUY E. NICHOLS

Term expires 1933

WALLACE E. BARROWS

Term expires 1934

LOUIS T. McMAHON

Term expires 1932

GEORGE F. NEWCOMB, Superintendent

**Director of Middlesex County Extension Service**

ROSEANNA T. MANNING



### School Committee

JOHN W. HATHAWAY, Chairman	Term expires 1933
ALFRED S. ALLEN	Term expires 1934
HELEN H. BUCK	Term expires 1932
OLIVIA H. NORCROSS	Term expires 1932
HARRY W. DeLORIEA	Term expires 1933
NORMAN W. PERRY	Term expires 1934

### Secretary

STEPHEN G. BEAN

### Attendance Officer

ERNEST W. EAMES

### Inspector of Buildings

CHESTER T. HORTON

### Board of Appeal

EDWARD M. NEILSON	CHARLES H. BLACK
LOUIS T. McMAHON	

### Undertakers

EDWARD M. NICHOLS & SON	JOSEPH B. McMAHON
WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH	

### Burial Agent

GUY E. NICHOLS

### Trustees of Public Library

LOUIS T. McMAHON	Term expires 1932
HOWARD E. BEDELL	Term expires 1932
HELEN H. BUCK	Term expires 1933
EDWARD N. EAMES	Term expires 1934
PETER NEILSON	Term expires 1934
PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1933

### Trustees of Trust Funds

CALEB S. HARRIMAN	Term expires 1934
EDWARD N. EAMES	Term expires 1932
PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1933

### Tree Warden

OLIVER A. McGRANE

### Superintendent for Suppressing Moths

OLIVER A. McGRANE

### Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Fund Committee

JOHN W. HATHAWAY	Term expires 1933
GERALD F. FRAZEE	Term expires 1934
HARRY W. DeLORIEA	Term expires 1935
ARTHUR F. BLAKE	Term expires 1936
MILDRED E. NEILSON	Term expires 1932

### Planning Board

GEORGE F. NEWCOMB	Term expires 1933
GARDNER I. RITCHIE	Term expires 1932
MERVIN J. CURL	Term expires 1934

### Finance Committee

JESSE K. WILLIS	Term expires 1933
THOMAS C. DALY	Term expires 1934
CHARLES F. PERRY	Term expires 1934
JOSEPH M. GRIMES	Term expires 1933
OSCAR A. LUNDGREN	Term expires 1932
ARTHUR G. KIDDER	Term expires 1933
HERBERT C. BARROWS	Term expires 1932
WALDO L. DEAN	Term expires 1932
AUGUSTUS T. NORTON	Term expires 1934

**Ballot Clerks and Tellers**

JOHN E. DENEHEY

JOHN F. MUSE

FRANK W. KIDDER

ELEANOR M. LIVINGSTON

ANTHONY DEL TORTO

HAROLD SWAIN

ARTHUR HAMILTON

ROSE T. CAVANAUGH

EDGAR SHAW

MICHAEL H. BARRY, JR.

**Town Counsel**

PHILIP B. BUZZELL

**Moderator**

EDWARD N. EAMES

# JURY LIST, TOWN OF WILMINGTON

Revised July 27, 1931

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Name	Occupation	Address
Alfred S. Allen	Treasurer	Burlington Avenue
Howard E. Bedell	Insurance Agent	Burlington Avenue
Charles H. Black	Insurance Manager	Church Street
George W. Buck	Town Official	Church Street
David R. Butterworth	Rigger	Cottage Street
Leon F. Call	Chemist	Floradale Avenue
Howard L. Caltes	Engineer	Marion Street
Carl F. Connor	Inspector	Middlesex Avenue
Eugene L. Coombs	Merchant	Middlesex Avenue
Ernest R. Currier	Expressman	Shawsheen Avenue
Ralph R. Currier	Groceries and Prov.	Chestnut Street
Thomas C. Daly	Farmer	Andover Street
Owen Devine	Janitor	Mystic Street
Carroll D. A. Gray	Taxicab	Church Street
Nelson H. Huntley	Caterer	Burlington Avenue
Joel P. Ireland	Provision Dealer	Washington Avenue
Charles A. Livingston	Meat Cutter	Burlington Avenue
August G. MacLeod	Salesman	High Street
Frederick J. MacQuaide	Salesman	Salem Street
Oliver A. McGrane	Superintendent	Church Street
George G. McKittrick	Leather Worker	Eames Street
Harold E. Melzar	Treasurer	Lake Street
Thomas J. Morley	Clerk	Ballard Vale Street
John F. Muse	Carpenter	Cottage Street
Jerome J. O'Leary	Pensioner	Swain Road
Frederick J. Page	Poultryman	Hillside Way
Frank G. Patch	Farmer	Burlington Avenue
Norman W. Perry	Chemist	Church Street
Joseph P. Ring	Inspector	Middlesex Avenue
Gardner I. Ritchie	Clerk	Columbia Street
Harold E. Smith	Garage Proprietor	Woburn Street
Paul E. Todd	Telephone Engineer	Chestnut Street
Earl D. Whitney	Clerk	Woburn Street
Arthur S. Williams	Laborer	Andover Street
Fred U. Wyman	Clerk	Church Street

## **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

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**Records of Warrants and Proceedings of Town Meetings  
Summary of Births, Marriages and Deaths with a  
Statement of Money Paid to the County Treasurer  
on Account of Dog Licenses**



## TOWN WARRANT

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To Walter A. Hill, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greeting—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday the second day of March next at 9.45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 10.00 A. M. and shall be closed at 8 P. M. for the election of Town Officers.

**Article 1.** To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also act as Board of Survey; one Assessor for three years; Town Clerk; Treasurer; Collector of Taxes; Constable; three Fence Viewers; Board of Public Welfare, one member for a term of three years, one member for a term of two years and one member for a term of one year; two members of School Committee for three years; two trustees of the Public Library for three years; one trustee of Public Library for two years (unexpired term); one trustee of Trust Funds for three years; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one member of Planning Board for three years; Tree Warden; Moderator.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, who are qualified to vote on elections and Town affairs, there in to assemble subsequently, and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Monday, the ninth day of March, A. D. 1931, at eight (8) o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

**Article 2.** To choose all other Town officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 3.** To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

**Article 4.** To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:

General Government	Cemetery
Protection of Life and Property	Town Indebtedness
Health and Sanitation	Unclassified
Highways	Reserve Fund
Charities and Aid	Education
Soldiers' Benefits	Water Department
Interest	Care of Parks
Public Library	Street Lights

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present financial year.  
The vote to be as follows:

Voted: That the Town Treasurer with the approval of Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1931, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00), or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be spent in the town in the furtherance of and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County Trustee for County Aid to Agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40-45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee for the purpose of preparing a memorial record of the two hundredth anniversary celebration of the town and will authorize the treasurer of the two hundredth anniversary committee to deliver unexpended monies held by him to the proposed memorial record committee for its use in preparing said memorial record.

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-seven hundred ninety-four dollars and ninety four cents (\$6794.94), being the total overdrafts of the following accounts: Police, Fire Department, Forest Fires, Board of Public Welfare, Soldiers, Relief Interest, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a filing cabinet for the Town Clerk's Department, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 31, Section 48, of the General Laws of Massachusetts, thereby placing under Civil Service, its police force, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 31, Section 49, of the General Laws thereby placing under Civil Service of its Chief of Police, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will permit, for one half hour, immediately after the last sessions of the school days and on Saturdays, the use of the school buildings for religious instruction; the same to be under the direction of the ministers and priests and the representatives of any other religious community or communities entitled to conduct services in this town.



**Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.00) for Public Health Work or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for the proper observance of Memorial Day and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of assembling existing plans toward a general survey of the Town. This work to be done under the supervision of the Board of Assessors and Town Clerk with the assistance of the Water Department, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 16.** To see if the Town will accept and lay out part of Columbia Street, as shown on a plan filed at the Town Hall, beginning at the southeasterly side of Atlantic Avenue and thence running southeasterly a distance of approximately 290 feet to the southeasterly side of Belmont Avenue, and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for the lay-out of same.

**Article 17.** To see if the Town will lay out and accept Belmont Avenue, beginning at the westerly side of Columbia Street and thence running easterly on Belmont Avenue to the northeast side of State Street, a distance of approximately 1000 feet, and appropriate one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) therefor.

**Article 18.** To see if the Town will accept and lay out as much of State Street as would start from the northeasterly side of Belmont Avenue, thence running southerly to the southerly side of Fairview Avenue, a distance of approximately 305 feet and appropriate three hundred dollars (\$300.00) therefor.

**Article 19.** To see if the Town will lay out and accept as much of Fairview Avenue as would start from the westerly side of State Street at the junction of Fairview Avenue and thence running easterly to land of one Ella A. Shattuck, a distance of approximately 600 feet and appropriate six hundred dollars (\$600.00) therefor.

**Article 20.** To see if the Town will vote to accept Swain Road from Taft Road to Forest Street as laid out by the Board of Survey or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 21.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for the construction of Swain Road from Taft Road or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 22.** To see if the Town will accept an addition to Marion Street, from the Well, on said street, to the estate of Charles Edgar

Miller, as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 23.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) to grade Marion Street, from the Well, to the estate of Charles Edgar Miller, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 24.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate forty eight hundred dollars (\$4800.00) for Hydrant Rental for the year 1931, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 25.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Water Department to extend the water main on Glen Road, and to raise and appropriate fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) to defray cost thereof, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 26.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4000.00) for the extension of water main for a distance of 1800 feet more or less, on Woburn Street, from the existing main, to the property of William Sullivan, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 27.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4000.00) to extend the water mains on Woburn Street from Perry's Corner southerly or what they will do in relation thereto.

**Article 28.** To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), or any sum, for the purpose of indemnifying police officers and firemen of the Town and other persons designated in General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 100, as amended, for expenses or damages heretofore or hereafter sustained by them within the purview of said statute, during the current year, said sum to be expended by the Selectmen from time to time in their sole and uncontrolled discretion, any amounts required for such purposes, up to the total amount of such appropriation, to be transferred from time to time as needed from the excess and deficiency fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 29.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), for the purpose of securing certain manuscripts, documents, original photographs and other relics of Indian, Revolutionary and Civil Wars and more recent times, pertaining to the honorable history of the Town of Wilmington; or to see what they will do in relation thereto.

**Article 30.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to renew the contract with the Municipal Light Board of Reading for Electric Street Lights for a term of three years from January 1, 1931, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, immediately after making service thereof.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this second day of February, A. D., one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

WALTER L. HALE,  
JEROME J. O'LEARY,  
WALTER G. BUCKLE,  
Selectmen of Wilmington.

Wilmington, February 20, 1931.

Middlesex SS.

This is to certify that I this day posted attested copies of this Warrant in accordance with the Town by-laws.

WALTER A. HILL,  
Constable of Wilmington.

## TOWN MEETING

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### Records of Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting Held March 2, 1931

In accordance with the directions of the foregoing Warrant the voters assembled at the Town Hall on the above date. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, and the Warrant read by the Town Clerk as far as Article 2, when a motion was made by Mr. Hill to dispense with the reading of the remaining Articles. Motion was voted unanimous in the affirmative.

The Moderator then examined the ballot box, which was found empty, the register indicating 0000, the ballot box was locked and the key delivered to the Constable.

The Ballot Clerks and Tellers being duly sworn, the official ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks and receipts taken by the Town Clerk.

At ten o'clock A. M. the Moderator declared the Polls open.

At eight o'clock P. M. the Moderator declared the Polls closed. The names checked on the check list numbered twelve hundred fifty, the Ballots counted from the ballot box numbered twelve hundred fifty and the register indicated twelve hundred fifty one. Following is explanation of difference in tally.

March 2, 1931.

To the Town Clerk:

This is to certify that the Ballot box clogged and the indicator registered twice on one ballot.

EDWARD N. EAMES, Moderator,  
WALTER A. HILL, Constable,  
RALPH R. CURRIER, Town Clerk.

The following is the vote for Town Officers as declared by the Moderator.

#### Selectmen (to act as Board of Survey)

	Votes
Elected, Harold E. Melzar had six hundred thirty-two.....	632
Elected, John T. Holmes had six hundred twenty-eight.....	628
Elected, Walter G. Buckle had six hundred fourteen.....	614
Jerome J. O'Leary had five hundred thirty-one.....	531
Walter L. Hale had four hundred thirty-two.....	432
Samuel P. Pike, Jr., had two hundred thirteen.....	213
Michael H. O'Rourke had forty-seven.....	47
Blanks, six hundred fifty-three.....	653

**Board of Public Welfare (three years)**

Elected, Charles H. Black had eight hundred thirty-one.....	831
Blanks, four hundred nineteen.....	419

**Board of Public Welfare (two years)**

Elected, Gardner I. Ritchie had eight hundred seventy-six....	876
Blanks, three hundred seventy-four.....	374

**Board of Public Welfare (one year)**

Elected, Mrs. Winifred N. Norton had six hundred nineteen...	619
Annie E. Cronin had four hundred four.....	404
Blanks, two hundred twenty-seven.....	227

**Assessor (three years)**

Elected, J. Howard Eames had seven hundred twenty-eight...	728
Theodore A. Doucette had three hundred fifty.....	350
Blanks, one hundred seventy-two.....	172

**Town Clerk**

Elected, Ralph R. Currier had ten hundred nineteen.....	1019
E. S. Butters had one.....	1
Blanks, two hundred thirty.....	230

**Treasurer**

Elected, Frank L. Eames had nine hundred fifty-four.....	954
Blanks, two hundred ninety-six.....	296

**Collector of Taxes**

Elected, George W. Buck had nine hundred ninety-three.....	993
Ralph R. Currier had one vote.....	1
Blanks, two hundred fifty-six.....	256

**Constable**

Elected, Walter A. Hill had nine hundred ninety-nine.....	999
John O'Connor had one hundred twenty-seven.....	127
Blanks, one hundred twenty-four.....	124

**School Committee (three years)**

Elected, Norman W. Perry had seven hundred thirty-eight....	738
Elected, Alfred S. Allen had six hundred and fifty-nine.....	659
Susan T. Esler had four hundred three.....	403
Frank W. Dayton had two hundred fifty-four.....	254
Blanks, four hundred forty-six.....	446

**Fence Viewers**

Elected, John T. Holmes had six hundred eighteen.....	618
Elected, Harold E. Melzar had six hundred.....	600
Elected, Jerome J. O'Leary had four hundred eighty-four....	484
Carl S. Pettengill had four hundred and seventy-one.....	471
Walter L. Hale had four hundred and sixty-three.....	463
Samuel P. Pike, Jr., had two hundred sixty-six.....	266
Walter G. Buckle had one.....	1
Blanks, eight hundred forty-seven.....	847

**Library Trustees (three years)**

Elected, Edward N. Eames had six hundred ninety.....	690
Elected, Peter Neilson had six hundred forty-three.....	643
Adrian A. Durkee had four hundred seven.....	407
Nora J. Silver had two hundred twenty-six.....	226
Blanks, five hundred and thirty-four.....	534

**Library Trustee (two years to fill vacancy)**

Elected, Philip B. Buzzell had nine hundred twenty-five.....	925
Blanks, three hundred twenty-five.....	325

**Trustee of Trust Funds (three years)**

Elected, Caleb S. Harriman had seven hundred eighty-five....	785
Salvatore Alleruzzo had two hundred sixteen.....	216
Blanks, two hundred forty-nine.....	249

**Member S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee (five years)**

Elected, Arthur F. Blake had six hundred seventy-six.....	676
Mary A. Hanscom had three hundred fourteen.....	314
Blanks, two hundred sixty.....	260

**Tree Warden**

Elected, Oliver A. McGrane had six hundred sixteen.....	616
Donald W. Foster had four hundred eighty-five.....	485
Blanks, one hundred forty-nine.....	149

**Moderator**

Elected, Edward N. Eames had six hundred fifty-nine.....	659
Archie S. Thurston had three hundred seventy-two.....	372
Blanks, two hundred nineteen.....	219

**Member of Planning Board (three years)**

Elected, Mervin J. Curl had six hundred forty.....	640
Ralph W. Henderson had three hundred eight.....	308
Blanks, three hundred two.....	302



### Water Commissioner (three years)

Elected, Alden N. Eames had seven hundred eighty-four.....	784
George A. Wall had two hundred eighty-one.....	281
Blanks, one hundred eighty-five.....	185

After administering the oath of office to the following named persons, Walter G. Buckle as Selectman to act as Board of Survey, Ralph R. Currier as Town Clerk, George W. Buck as Collector of Taxes, Jerome J. O'Leary as Fence Viewer, Caleb S. Harriman as Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, Oliver A. McGrane as Tree Warden, the meeting adjourned until Monday, March 9, 1931, at eight (8) o'clock P. M. at the Grange Hall.

Attest:

RALPH R. CURRIER,  
Town Clerk.

### Records of Proceeding of the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting Held March 9, 1931, at the Grange Hall, Wildwood St., Wilmington

At eight o'clock P. M. the Moderator called the Meeting to order and proceeded to take up Article 2 of the Warrant.

**Article 2.** Motion by Mr. Ritchie that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to bring in a list of names as nominations for the several offices to be filled under this Article. Voted in the affirmative. The Moderator appointed Mr. Gardner Ritchie, Mr. Harry DeLoria and Mr. Louis McMahon. The committee retired and submitted the following list as nominations.

#### Field Driver

Charles D. Reilly

#### Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber

Herbert C. Barrows	Schamiel R. McIntosh
Walter L. Hale	Harry R. Deming
Wilfred A. Andrews	Edward N. Eames
Arthur W. Eames	Arnold D. Carter

#### Public Weighers of Merchandise

Fred W. Carter	Walter L. Hale
Clifford Gates	Walter L. Hale, Jr.
Clarence Cady	Mrs. Walter L. Hale
Harry R. Deming	Algot L. Osterman

### Cemetery Commissioners (three years)

Wallace E. Barrows

Motion by Mr. Ritchie that the report of the committee be accepted and adopted and the nominees be declared elected. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 3.** Report of Committees. Mr. Deming made a report of Receipts and Expenditures of 200th Anniversary Relief Fund.

### Report of Receipts and Expenditures of 200th Anniversary

#### Relief Fund

#### Receipts

From Play given Dec. 19, 1930:

Advertising .....	\$329.50
Tickets .....	108.00
Dance .....	8.50
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	\$446.00

Expenses:

Orchestra .....	\$12.00
Police officer .....	4.00
Coaching, labor on scenery, etc. ....	10.00
Printing programs .....	24.00
Printing tickets .....	2.25
Lamps .....	2.16
Royalty on play .....	15.00
Play books .....	3.00
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	72.41

Net proceeds from play ..... \$373.59

Contributions:

Knight Templars, Reading .....	\$10.00
Miscellaneous .....	6.00
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	16.00

Total amount available for Relief Fund ..... \$389.59

#### Expenditures

Cost of 52 Christmas Boxes .....	\$234.63
Payments since Christmas:	
Groceries and provisions .....	52.60
Clothing, shoes and rubbers .....	83.11
Cash .....	5.00
Railroad ticket .....	2.38
Contribution, American Legion Toy Fund ..	10.00
Unexpended Balance, remitted to Treasurer, 200th Anniversary Committee ..	1.87
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	\$389.59

HARRY R. DEMING,  
Chairman, 200th Anniversary Committee.



March 2, 1931.

We have examined the above account and find it correct as rendered, with vouchers complete and cancelled checks for all payments.

ERNEST W. EAMES,  
SUSAN T. ESLER,  
E. M. NEILSON,  
Finance Committee.

Motion by Mr. Ralph Currier that the report be accepted. Voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Harriman then made a report of progress on the Committee for Additional School Accommodations.

Motion was then offered by Mr. Harriman that the Committee for Additional School Accommodations be continued, and that it be instructed to procure the necessary legislation to finance the project. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 4.** On motion of Mr. Barrows that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the several and respective sums as recommended by the Finance Committee, each item to be taken up and voted on separately, subject to amendment. Voted in the affirmative.

The following amounts were raised and appropriated under this Article.

#### General Government

Selectmen's Salaries and Expenses .....	\$900.00
Town Accountant .....	700.00
Treasurer .....	1,020.00
Tax Collector .....	2,000.00
Assessors .....	2,400.00
Town Clerk .....	500.00
Constable .....	50.00
Election and Registration .....	350.00
Town Hall .....	550.00
Finance Committee .....	100.00
Town Counsel .....	1,500.00
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	\$10,070.00

#### Protection of Life and Property

Fire Department .....	\$7,500.00
Police .....	6,500.00
Building Inspector .....	500.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	350.00
Moth Department .....	1,605.00
Tree Warden (amended) .....	1,000.00
Forest Fires .....	1,000.00

Health and Sanitation .....	500.00
Motion by Mr. Hale to reconsider the amount of Tree Warden's appropriation. Voted in the affirmative. Motion by Mr. Hale to amend the amount of \$1,900.00 to \$1,000.00. Voted in the affirmative. Motion that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Tree Warden. Voted in the affirmative.	
	<hr/> \$18,955.00

### Highways, Roads and Bridges

General Appropriation .....	\$22,000.00
Salem Street and Burlington Avenue Construction:	
On amendment offered by Mr. McMahon that this motion apply only to Burlington Avenue. Voted in the affirmative. (As amended) Burlington Avenue Construction .....	2,000.00
Salem and Lowell Streets Maintenance .....	750.00
Electric Street Lights:	
On amendment offered by Mr. Melzar to increase the appropriation to \$7,749.00. Voted in the affirmative. (As amended) Electric Street Lights .....	7,749.00
	<hr/> \$32,499.00

### Charities and Aid

Public Welfare .....	\$10,000.00
Aid for Dependent Mothers .....	1,350.00
State Aid .....	360.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	2,000.00
Military Aid .....	400.00
	<hr/> \$14,110.00

### Education

Schools .....	\$70,000.00
Vocational Training .....	1,000.00
Library .....	1,200.00
	<hr/> \$72,200.00

### Water Department

Receipts of Department and unexpended balance of \$703.17. Mr. Hale offered amendment to lay on table. After some discussion on this Article, Mr. Hale rose to point of order. Not sustained by the Chair. Amendment voted in the negative. Receipts of Department and unexpended balance of \$703.17. Voted in the affirmative.

### Miscellaneous

Reserve Fund .....	\$5,000.00
Interest .....	20,844.00
Cemetery .....	3,000.00
Unclassified .....	1,000.00
Parks .....	350.00
Firemen's Pensions .....	1,248.00
Town Indebtedness .....	11,082.75
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	\$42,524.75

**Article 5.** Motion by Mr. Buckle that the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1931, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 6.** Motion, That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00), and elect Roseanna T. Manning as director, this money to be spent in the Town in the furtherance of and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40-45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 7.** Motion by Mr. Black, That a committee be appointed by the Moderator to prepare a memorial record of the two hundredth anniversary celebration of the Town and hereby authorize the Treasurer of the Two Hundredth Anniversary Committee to deliver unexpended monies held by him to the proposed Memorial Record Committee for its use in preparing said Memorial Record. Voted in the affirmative.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to publish the Memorial Record: Mr. Charles H. Black, Mrs. Herbert C. Barrows, Mr. Gardner I. Ritchie, Mr. Alfred S. Allen and Mrs. Edward M. Neilson.

**Article 8.** Motion by Mr. Melzar that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand seven hundred ninety-four dollars and ninety-four cents (\$6,794.94) being the total overdrafts of the following accounts, Police, Fire, Forest Fires, Board of Public Welfare, Soldiers' Relief and Interest. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 9.** Motion by Mr. Perry that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for a filing cabinet and equipment for the Town Clerk's Department, this money to be spent by the Town Clerk. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 10.** Motion by Mr. Reeбенacker that we table this Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 11.** Motion by Mr. Reeбенacker that we table this Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 12.** Motion by Mr. Kidder that we pass this Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 13.** Motion by Mr. Holmes that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200.00) for Public Health Work. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 14.** Motion by Mr. Reeбенacker that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for the proper observance of Memorial Day and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance. Voted in the affirmative.

The Moderator appointed the following committee: Mr. Maurice O. Reeбенacker, Joseph Woods, William Cavanaugh, Howard Bedell and Oscar DuBord, American Legion; Louis Kennedy and Walter L. Hale, Spanish War Veterans; Susan T. Esler, Sarah Bedell and Elizabeth McMahon, Ladies' Auxiliary; John Simpson, Civil War.

**Article 15.** Motion by Mr. Currier that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of assembling existing plans toward a general survey of the Town. This work to be done under the supervision of the Board of Assessors and Town Clerk with the assistance of the Water Department. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 16.** Motion by Mr. Hale to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 17.** Motion by Mr. Hale to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 18.** Motion by Mr. Hale to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 19.** Motion by Mr. Hale to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 20.** Motion by Mr. O'Leary to be laid on the table. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 21.** Motion by Mr. O'Leary to be laid on the table. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 22.** Motion by Mr. Hale to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 23.** Motion by Mr. Hale to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 24.** Motion by Mr. McMahon, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-eight hundred dollars (\$4,800.00) for Hydrant Rental for the year of 1931. Mr. Hale requested that a yes and no vote be taken on this Article. The Moderator started to take same when Mr. Hale said he wanted a ballot vote taken on same. The Moderator then put the question before the house should vote on this Article be by ballot. Voted in the negative. Motion was then voted in the affirmative.

**Article 25.** Motion by Mr. Harriman, that the Water Commissioners be instructed to extend water main on Glen Road, and that the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) be raised and appropriated to pay for the same. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 26.** Motion by Mr. Allgrove, that the Water Commissioners be instructed to extend the water main on Woburn Street from the existing main, to the property of William Sullivan, and that four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) be raised and appropriated to pay for the same. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 27.** Motion by Mr. Barrows that the Water Commissioners be instructed to extend the water mains on Woburn Street from Perry's Corner South, and that four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) be raised and appropriated to pay for the same. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 28.** Motion by Mr. Holmes that the Town appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for the purpose of indemnifying police officers and firemen of the Town and other persons designated in General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 100, as amended, for expenses or damages heretofore or hereafter sustained by them within the purview of said statute, during the current year, said sum to be expended by the Selectmen from time to time in their sole and uncontrolled discretion, any amounts required for such purposes, up to the total amount of such appropriation, to be transferred from time to time as needed from the Excess and Deficiency Fund. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 29.** Motion by Mr. Simmons to lay on the Table. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 30.** Motion by Mr. Buckle that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to renew the contract with the Municipal Light Board of Reading for Electric Street Lights for a term of three years, beginning January 1, 1931. Voted in the affirmative.

Motion to adjourn. Voted in the affirmative.

Attest:

RALPH R. CURRIER,

Town Clerk.

# SUMMARY OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

## WITH STATEMENT OF MONEY PAID THE COUNTY TREASURER DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

Whole number of deaths during year 1931, 39. Male 22, Female 17.

Persons 70 years old and over died during the year 1931.

	Age	
	Years	Months
Alice W. Buck	88	2
William H. Farrett	74	11
George Graves	72	
William Gilliatt	91	
Chas. W. Cove	82	1
Agathe Treuthardt	84	4
Adolph H. Brown	76	
Barthol Kestner	81	3
H. Isabell Lee	73	3
Katherine Bailey	76	
James Johnson	72	1
Jessie Frances Caroline Mathinson	71	5
Eleanor Bousfield	76	11
Sarah Lee Romain	79	11
Francis Bowers Smith	86	7
Mary Ann (Brown) Smith	87	8
Mary A. Knight	72	5

### Causes of Death

Heart Disease	10	Apoplexy	10
Pneumonia	1	Automobiles	1
Carcinoma	4	Accidental	1
Tuberculosis	1	Stillborn	2
		Other Causes	9

### Deaths by Ages

90 to 100 years	1	80 to 90 years	6
70 to 80 years	10	60 to 70 years	4
50 to 60 years	6	40 to 50 years	5
30 to 40 years	1	20 to 30 years	1
10 to 20 years	2	1 to 10 years	0
Under 1 year		3	

Number of Non-Residents buried in Wilmington..... 13



### Vital Statistics

Number of marriages recorded.....	39			39
Oldest groom	39	Oldest bride		43
Youngest groom	20	Youngest bride		17
Births, whole number registered in 1931.....				81
Male	43	Female		38

### Dog Licences

Whole number .....				470
386 males	82 females	1 breeder	1 kennel	
By Cash Paid County Treasurer .....				\$1,163.00

### Sporting Licenses

Whole number .....	94
Res. Cit. Sp. License .....	87
Res. Cit. Trapping License .....	1
Minor's Trappers License .....	3
By Cash Paid Division of Fisheries and Game.....	\$225.50

### Compiled Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths

Number on hand January 1, 1931.....	120
Number on hand January 31, 1931.....	117
Paid Town Treasurer 3 books at \$1.00.....	\$3.00

These records are on sale by vote of the Selectmen at \$1.00 per copy. (Book stores are allowed to purchase these copies at \$.60 each) and may be obtained from the Town Clerk.

### Town Licenses

During the year 1931 the Selectmen granted licenses which were recorded and delivered by the Town Clerk.

Whole number licenses issued.....	119
Gasoline Licenses renewed by Town Clerk.....	24
By Cash Paid Town Treasurer.....	\$774.80
By Cash Paid Town Treasurer Local Lic. Fees.....	\$7.80

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH R. CURRIER,  
Town Clerk.

THE TOWN CLERK WILL FURNISH TO PARENTS, HOUSEHOLDERS, PHYSICIANS AND MIDWIVES, APPLYING THEREFOR, BLANKS FOR RETURNS OF BIRTHS AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

## ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF TOWN PROPERTY, 1931

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Real Estate .....	\$4,086,448.00
Personal Estate .....	247,261.00
Excise .....	339,460.00
Number of Polls .....	1,137
Rate of Taxation per M. ....	41.20
State Tax .....	4,200.00
State Park and Reservation Tax .....	72.77
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	1,192.00
County Tax .....	6,977.04
Tuberculosis Tax .....	788.57
Town Tax Including Overlay .....	168,783.79

### Schedule of Town Property

Schoolhouses and Lots .....	\$83,000.00
Memorial Park .....	3,500.00
Cemetery—Toolhouse and Tools .....	3,000.00
Town Hall—Lot and Fire Equipment .....	3,700.00
Public Library—Contents and Lot .....	4,500.00
Highway Building and Lot .....	4,800.00
Engine House, Lock-up and Lot .....	3,100.00
Moth Building and Lot .....	700.00
Common and Flag Staff .....	2,000.00
Water Department Building, Stand Pipe, Equipment and Land .....	304,000.00
Land and Building Account Tax Sales .....	22,240.00
Highway Trucks, Machinery and Tools .....	5,300.00
Furniture in Town Hall, Safes and Cabinets .....	2,000.00
Fire Trucks, Hose, Ladders and Other Equipment...	5,700.00
Sprayers and Fixtures .....	500.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Equipment .....	2,000.00
Police Equipment .....	500.00
	\$450,540.00

GEORGE W. BUCK,

J. HOWARD EAMES,

FRANK L. EAMES,

Assessors, Town of Wilmington.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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### RECEIPTS

Cash in Treasury .....	\$31,154.19
Cash Received Account of:	
Income Taxes .....	23,910.95
Corporation Taxes .....	1,295.01
Trust Company Tax .....	4.54
State Aid .....	335.00
Street Railway Tax .....	302.02
National Bank Tax .....	76.92
Veterans' Exemptions .....	120.81
Education .....	2,788.19
Mothers' Aid .....	582.98
Military Aid .....	180.00
Board of Public Welfare .....	2,159.64
Suppression of Moths .....	30.51
Tree Warden .....	700.00
Reimbursement for Loss of Taxes .....	6.08
Fire Department .....	13.74
Rent of Land .....	50.00
Cemetery .....	950.00
Births, Deaths and Marriages .....	3.00
Trust Funds .....	399.00
Licenses .....	804.16
Deeds of Release .....	569.62
Court Fines .....	175.00
Building Inspection .....	61.50
Library .....	103.70
Sealer's Fees .....	87.25
Highways .....	15,255.90
Telephone Tolls .....	2.00
Fire Prevention .....	.36
Interest on Deposits .....	285.26
Water Revenue .....	11,168.20
Town Notes .....	190,000.00
Taxes 1929 .....	509.89
Interest on Taxes 1929 .....	38.90
Taxes, 1930 .....	83,415.38
Interest on Taxes, 1930 .....	3,899.21
Taxes, 1931 .....	78,877.02
Interest on Taxes, 1931 .....	117.48
Excise Taxes, 1929 .....	340.15
Interest on Excise Taxes, 1929 .....	38.07
Excise Taxes, 1930 .....	2,226.52
Interest on Excise Taxes, 1930 .....	77.99
Excise Taxes, 1931 .....	3,921.78
Interest on Excise Taxes, 1931 .....	22.29
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	728.00

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\$457,788.21

## PAYMENTS

Cash Paid Account of Treasury Warrants .....	\$436,207.20
Cash in Treasury .....	21,581.01
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	\$457,788.21

FRANK L. EAMES,

Treasurer.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

**FOR THE**

**Financial Year Ending December 31, 1931**

**SHOWING**  
**APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS,**  
**STATEMENT OF THE TOWN DEBT**  
**AND BALANCE SHEET**

## REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Following is my report covering the financial transactions of the Town for the year 1931, showing appropriations, receipts, payments, loans made and payments on same; statement of Town Debt, and Balance Sheet after closing of books on December 31, 1931.

The Valuation Book has been checked and Commitment Book compared with the same, before delivery of latter to the Collector.

The Collector's accounts have been examined, and the uncollected balances as shown in his account are correct.

The books of the Treasurer have been audited, and his cash balance of \$21,581.01 verified.

Yours respectfully,

HARRY R. DEMING.

Town Accountant.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT****Selectmen**

Appropriation .....		\$900.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries, Selectmen .....	\$650.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	13.97	
Advertising .....	6.00	
Travel .....	18.00	
Perambulating town lines .....	30.00	
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	\$717.97	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	182.03	
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	\$900.00	\$900.00

**Town Accountant**

Appropriation .....		\$700.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salary .....	\$600.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	30.76	
Office equipment .....	65.00	
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	\$695.76	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	4.24	
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	\$700.00	\$700.00

**Treasurer**

Appropriation .....		\$1,020.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salary .....	\$800.00	
Premium on bond .....	120.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	68.98	
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	\$988.98	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	31.02	
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	\$1,020.00	\$1,020.00

**Tax Collector**

Appropriation .....		\$2,000.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salary .....	\$1,500.00	
Premium on bond .....	240.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	257.74	
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	\$1,997.74	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	2.26	
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	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00

**Assessors**

Appropriation .....		\$2,400.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries .....	\$2,120.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	120.33	
Record of property transfers .....	150.00	
Plans .....	2.50	
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	\$2,392.83	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	7.17	
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	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00

**Town Plans**

Appropriation .....		\$500.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Labor .....	\$353.50	
Material .....	144.21	
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	\$497.71	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	2.29	
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	\$500.00	\$500.00

**Finance Committee**

Appropriation .....		\$100.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Postage and printing .....	\$67.46	
Clerical work .....	10.00	
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	\$77.46	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	22.54	
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	\$100.00	\$100.00

**Town Counsel**

Appropriation .....		\$1,500.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salary .....	\$300.00	
Legal services, additional .....	1,110.00	
Telephone .....	1.05	
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	\$1,411.05	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	88.95	
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	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00

**Town Clerk**

Appropriation .....		\$500.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salary .....	\$400.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	35.76	
Premium on bond .....	5.00	
Dog tags .....	28.12	
Typewriter repairs .....	15.00	
Miscellaneous .....	3.00	
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	\$486.88	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	13.12	
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	\$500.00	\$500.00

**Filing Cabinet for Town Clerk**

Appropriation .....		\$100.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Cabinet .....	\$95.55	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	4.45	
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	\$100.00	\$100.00

**Election and Registration**

Appropriation .....		\$350.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....		160.00
<i>Payments</i>		
<b>Election:</b>		
Salaries .....	\$90.00	
Printing and stationery..	161.37	
Labor on voting booths..	16.55	
Rent of Grange Hall.....	10.00	
Miscellaneous .....	7.70	\$285.62
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<b>Registration:</b>		
Salaries .....	\$153.00	
Printing and stationery..	9.82	
Advertising .....	18.00	180.82
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	\$466.44	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	43.56	
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	\$510.00	\$510.00

**Town Hall**

Appropriation .....		\$550.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salary, janitor .....	\$110.00	
Telephone .....	49.70	
Light .....	90.68	

Fuel .....	65.75		
Repairs and supplies .....	99.31		
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		\$415.44	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	134.56		
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		\$550.00	\$550.00

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department

Appropriation .....			\$6,500.00
	<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries and wages .....	\$5,576.00		
Rent .....	200.00		
Light, office .....	6.75		
Fuel .....	20.25		
Telephones .....	114.95		
Maintenance, police car .....	210.37		
Automobile hire .....	30.25		
Light, traffic signals .....	229.33		
Signs .....	21.65		
Uniform .....	12.50		
Equipment .....	3.60		
Postage and printing .....	14.00		
Premium on bond .....	10.00		
Medical services .....	21.00		
Veterinary services .....	3.00		
Miscellaneous .....	2.25		
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		\$6,475.90	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	24.10		
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		\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00

### Police Department 1930 Account

Appropriation .....		\$136.22
Overdraft from 1930 .....	\$136.22	

### Constable

Appropriation .....		\$50.00
	<i>Payments</i>	
Salary .....	\$50.00	

### Fire Department

Appropriation .....		\$7,500.00
	<i>Payments</i>	
Salaries and wages .....	\$4,347.05	
Light .....	45.72	
Fuel .....	255.50	



Telephone .....	40.26
Power .....	122.46
Water .....	26.00
Repairs and supplies .....	578.23
Hose .....	790.00
Accident insurance .....	250.00
Fire insurance on station .....	221.64
Care of fire whistle .....	60.00
Miscellaneous .....	13.65
New equipment .....	273.75

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\$7,024.26

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	475.74
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\$7,500.00

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\$7,500.00

### Fire Department 1930 Account

Appropriation .....	\$708.80
Overdraft from 1930 .....	\$708.80

### Hydrant Rental

Appropriation .....	\$4,800.00
<i>Payments</i>	
Rental of hydrants .....	\$4,800.00

### Inspection of Buildings

Appropriation .....	\$500.00
<i>Payments</i>	
Salary, inspector .....	\$400.00
Telephone .....	6.70
Postage and printing .....	5.61
	<hr/> \$412.31
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	87.69
	<hr/> \$500.00
	<hr/> \$500.00

### Sealing of Weights and Measures

Appropriation .....	\$350.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	45.00
<i>Payments</i>	
Salary, sealer .....	\$300.00
Transportation .....	35.00
Sealing equipment .....	16.25
Repairs .....	14.00
Fire insurance .....	25.10
Advertising .....	1.50
Telephone .....	.90
	<hr/> \$392.75

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	2.25	
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	\$395.00	\$395.00

### Suppression of Moths

Appropriation .....		\$1,605.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries and wages .....	\$1,399.75	
Telephone .....	16.07	
Liability insurance .....	61.10	
Wiring moth house .....	54.75	
Tools and equipment .....	8.75	
Repairs and supplies .....	43.00	
Fuel .....	7.00	
Light .....	5.25	
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	\$1,595.67	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	9.33	
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	\$1,605.00	\$1,605.00

### Tree Warden

Appropriation .....		\$1,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....		300.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries and wages .....	\$1,009.57	
Truck hire .....	104.00	
Repairs and supplies .....	26.38	
Tools and equipment .....	76.94	
Postage and printing .....	5.00	
Liability insurance .....	38.82	
Trees .....	17.00	
Telephone .....	3.55	
Miscellaneous .....	8.40	
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	\$1,289.66	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	10.34	
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	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00

### Forest Fires

Appropriation .....		\$1,000.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries and wages .....	\$696.15	
Replacements .....	81.75	
New equipment .....	144.00	
Advertising .....	5.00	
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	\$926.90	

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	73.10	
	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

### Forest Fires 1930 Account

Appropriation .....		\$1,722.01
Overdraft from 1930 .....	\$1,722.01	

### Health and Sanitation

Appropriation .....		\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....		1,000.00

#### Payments

Salary, Inspector of Animals (1930 and 1931) .....		\$300.00
Salary, Agent, Board of Health .....		25.00
Salary, Inspector of Slaughtering ...		6.00
Hospital board and care .....		687.00
Vital Statistics, fees for return of births, marriages and deaths .....		150.50
Contagious Diseases:		
Hospital care and board..	\$181.86	
Medical services .....	102.25	
Medicines .....	38.40	322.51
		<u>\$1,491.01</u>
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....		8.99
		<u>\$1,500.00</u>

### Public Health Work

Appropriation .....		\$1,200.00
	<i>Payments</i>	
Salary, district nurse .....	\$1,200.00	

## HIGHWAYS, ROADS AND BRIDGES

### General Account

Appropriation .....		\$22,000.00
	<i>Payments</i>	
Salaries and wages .....	\$9,850.81	
Removing snow:		
Wages .....	\$444.66	
Team hire .....	223.75	
Repairs .....	118.82	787.23
Sand and gravel .....		1,281.75
Road oil .....		3,005.12
Tar .....		1,245.24
Culverts, pipe and catch basins .....		300.88
Signs .....		19.87

Surveys .....	89.25	
Land damage .....	165.00	
Compensation and public liability insurance .....	875.34	
Liability insurance, trucks .....	398.00	
Repairs and supplies .....	2,940.61	
New equipment .....	445.10	
Light .....	16.76	
Fuel .....	359.50	
Telephone .....	85.94	
Miscellaneous .....	41.52	
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	\$21,907.92	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	92.08	
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	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00

#### Burlington Avenue—Construction—1930 Account

Unexpended balance from 1930 .....		\$4,367.46
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries and wages .....	\$3,116.29	
Asphalt .....	276.13	
Gravel .....	189.25	
Drain pipe .....	301.77	
Grates and frames .....	54.44	
Repairs and supplies .....	428.47	
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	\$4,366.35	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	1.11	
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	\$4,367.46	\$4,367.46

#### Burlington Avenue—Construction—1931 Account

Appropriation .....		\$2,000.00
From State .....		3,861.55
From County .....		3,861.55
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries and wages .....	\$5,017.81	
Crushed stone .....	127.28	
Asphalt .....	714.07	
Sand and gravel .....	784.02	
Repairs and supplies .....	2,247.89	
Drain pipe .....	78.00	
Catch basins .....	108.00	
Culverts .....	47.04	
Road oil .....	525.99	
Miscellaneous .....	3.77	
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	\$9,653.87	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	69.23	
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	\$9,723.10	\$9,723.10

**Salem and Lowell Streets (Maintenance)**

Appropriation .....		\$750.00
From State .....		749.83
From County .....		749.83
<i>Payments</i>		
Salaries and wages .....	\$914.85	
Repairs and supplies .....	381.70	
Asphalt .....	952.93	
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	\$2,249.48	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	.18	
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	\$2,249.66	\$2,249.66

**Summary of Highway Accounts for 1931**

Total appropriations .....	\$24,750.00
Balance, Burlington Avenue 1930 Account .....	4,367.46
From State .....	4,611.38
From County .....	4,611.38
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	\$38,340.22
Total expenditures .....	38,177.62
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Unexpended balances .....	\$162.60

**Electric Street Lights**

Appropriation .....		\$7,749.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Lights per contract, 499—40 c. p. lights, 5—600 c. p. lights, 13—50 w. lights, 8—300 w. lights .....	\$7,692.70	
Less adjustment credit .....	468.05	
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	\$7,224.65	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	524.35	
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	\$7,749.00	\$7,749.00

**CHARITIES****Board of Public Welfare**

Appropriation .....		\$10,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....		2,000.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Board .....	\$1,149.00	
Cash .....	2,626.00	
Fuel .....	647.06	
Rent .....	180.00	
Groceries and provisions .....	5,705.04	
Hospital board and care .....	1,208.85	
Medical services .....	51.00	
Medicines .....	9.09	

Clothing .....	19.29
Burial .....	30.00
Transportation .....	.82
Old Age Assistance (cash) .....	260.00
Office equipment .....	25.00
Postage, printing and stationery ....	59.27
Miscellaneous .....	8.52

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\$11,978.94

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	21.06
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\$12,000.00

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\$12,000.00

### Board of Public Welfare 1930 Account

Appropriation .....	\$3,994.52
Overdraft from 1930 .....	\$3,994.52

### Mothers' Aid

Appropriation .....	\$1,350.00
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#### *Payments*

Cash .....	\$1,248.00
Fuel .....	69.75

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\$1,317.75

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	32.25
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\$1,350.00

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\$1,350.00

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

### State Aid

Appropriation .....	\$360.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	6.00

#### *Payments*

Cash .....	\$366.00
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\$366.00

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\$366.00

### Military Aid

Appropriation .....	\$400.00
Refund .....	45.00

#### *Payments*

Cash .....	\$330.00
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Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	115.00
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\$445.00

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\$445.00

### Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation .....	\$2,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	140.00

*Payments*

Cash .....	\$2,140.00	
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	\$2,140.00	\$2,140.00

**Soldiers' Relief 1930 Account**

Appropriation .....		\$108.75
Overdraft from 1930 .....	\$108.75	

**EDUCATIONAL****Schools**

Appropriation .....	\$70,000.00
Refund, account salaries .....	2.87

*Payments*

Superintendent's salary .....	\$2,535.00
School physician's salary .....	100.00
School nurse's salary .....	1,000.02
Superintendent's travel, etc. ....	209.24
Telephones .....	124.49
Principals, supervisors' and teachers' salaries .....	42,641.24
Transportation of pupils .....	6,852.96
Janitors' salaries .....	4,031.37
Fuel .....	2,883.32
Light .....	319.71
Water .....	120.92
Insurance .....	646.99
Books and supplies .....	4,196.61
Repairs, maintenance, etc. ....	3,046.26
Rent .....	166.00
New equipment .....	498.20
Truant officer .....	150.00
Miscellaneous .....	145.23

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\$69,667.61

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	335.26
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\$70,002.87

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\$70,002.87**Vocational Training**

Appropriation .....	\$1,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	760.65

*Payments*

Tuition at vocational training schools .....	\$1,756.48
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	4.17

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\$1,760.65

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\$1,760.65



**Public Library**

Appropriation .....		\$1,200.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Salary, librarian .....	\$350.00	
Janitor .....	48.00	
Light .....	19.15	
Fuel .....	30.00	
Repairs .....	23.99	
Postage, printing and stationery ....	7.22	
Books and magazines .....	525.96	
Binding .....	53.55	
Furniture .....	97.50	
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	\$1,155.37	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	44.63	
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	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00

**Parks**

Appropriation .....		\$350.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Labor .....	\$313.00	
Truck hire .....	15.00	
Loam and sod .....	13.20	
Fertilizer .....	3.00	
Flag rope .....	2.22	
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	\$346.42	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	3.58	
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	\$350.00	\$350.00

**Firemen's Pensions**

Appropriation .....		\$1,248.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Payments made under provisions of Chap. 83, Acts 1928 .....	\$1,248.00	

**Aid to Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture and  
Home Economics**

Appropriation .....		\$50.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Material and expenses .....	\$50.00	

**Unclassified**

Appropriation .....		\$1,000.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Printing Town reports .....	\$326.03	
Delivering Town reports .....	25.00	
Certifying Town notes .....	12.00	



Maintenance charge (water bonds) ..	150.00	
Rent safe deposit box .....	10.00	
Care of Town Clock .....	45.00	
Care and repairs, Town flag .....	4.50	
Postage, printing and stationery ....	33.10	
Disposal of dogs .....	31.00	
License plates .....	4.80	
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	\$641.43	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	358.57	
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	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

### Memorial Day

Appropriation.....		\$400.00
	<i>Payments</i>	
Music .....	\$110.00	
Postage and printing .....	6.75	
Flowers .....	65.50	
Dinners .....	138.50	
Flags .....	8.50	
Transportation .....	30.00	
Ammunition .....	15.75	
Memorial address .....	25.00	
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	\$400.00	\$400.00

### Water Department

Balance from 1930 .....	\$703.17
Water revenue .....	8,402.90
Services .....	1,952.43
Hydrant rental .....	4,920.00
Miscellaneous .....	693.82
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	\$16,672.32

### Payments

Salaries and wages .....	\$7,694.50
Pumping station, maintenance .....	1,042.96
Services, material .....	1,869.40
Trucks and autos, maintenance .....	1,271.27
Railroad rent .....	24.00
Office, rent, light, heat, janitor and supplies .....	360.56
Tools and equipment .....	635.28
Insurance .....	355.07
Miscellaneous .....	190.72
Maintenance:	
Hydrants .....	16.24
Equipment .....	397.13
Street Mains .....	69.54
Well field .....	5.13
Grading .....	69.65
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	\$14,001.45

Balance .....	2,670.87	
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	\$16,672.32	\$16,672.32
Credit Balance to 1932 .....		\$2,670.87

#### Glen Road Water Mains—Construction

Appropriation .....		\$1,500.00
Refund, wages .....		4.00

#### *Payments*

Wages .....	\$1,261.05
Truck hire .....	72.50
Tools, supplies and repairs .....	62.80
Damage .....	1.50
Grading .....	100.00

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\$1,497.85

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	6.15
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\$1,504.00

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\$1,504.00

#### Woburn Street (North) Water Mains—Construction

Appropriation .....		\$4,000.00
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#### *Payments*

Wages .....	\$1,408.65
Truck hire .....	75.00
Cast iron pipe .....	1,836.41
Gates .....	254.02
Tools, supplies and repairs .....	233.29
Drilling .....	89.60
Grading .....	100.00

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\$3,996.97

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	3.03
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\$4,000.00

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\$4,000.00

#### Woburn Street (South) Water Mains—Construction

Appropriation .....		\$4,000.00
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#### *Payments*

Wages .....	\$2,091.00
Truck hire .....	90.00
Cast iron pipe .....	928.62
Gates and castings .....	258.35
Tools, repairs and supplies .....	382.13
Damage .....	1.75
Drilling .....	137.60
Grading .....	100.00

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\$3,989.45

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	10.55
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\$4,000.00

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\$4,000.00

**Cemetery**

Appropriation .....		\$3,000.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Wages .....	\$2,211.70	
Team hire .....	51.88	
Compensation insurance .....	27.08	
Tools and repairs .....	67.00	
Fertilizer .....	46.25	
Shrubs .....	44.63	
Stone, gravel and loam .....	195.00	
Iron fence .....	353.60	
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	\$2,997.14	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	2.86	
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	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

**Cemetery Reserve Fund**

Credit balance from 1930 .....	\$780.00
Sale of lots and graves in 1931 .....	950.00
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Credit balance to 1932 .....	\$1,730.00

**Interest**

Appropriation .....		\$20,844.00
<i>Payments</i>		
Interest on:		
Temporary loans .....	\$6,018.23	
Highway Department loan .....	21.25	
School Department bonds .....	315.00	
Water Department bonds .....	12,843.75	
Emergency loan .....	164.80	
Refunded taxes .....	17.82	
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	\$19,380.85	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	1,463.15	
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	\$20,844.00	\$20,844.00

**Interest 1930 Account**

Appropriation .....	\$124.64
Overdraft from 1930 .....	\$124.64

**Town Indebtedness**

Appropriation .....	\$11,082.75
Transferred from Premium on sale of Water Bonds	9,167.25
<i>Payments</i>	
Water Department bonds .....	\$12,500.00
Highway Department Note No. 55 ....	1,000.00

High School House bonds No. 33 and 34 .....	1,750.00	
Emergency loan notes, Nos. 83 and 84 .....	5,000.00	
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	\$20,250.00	\$20,250.00

### Trust Funds

#### Receipts

Perpetual care fund, cemetery lot Susan A. Hamlin..	\$100.00
Perpetual care fund, cemetery lot William H. McCabe	100.00
Income, Sabra Carter Common Fund .....	8.00
Income, Cemetery Trust Funds .....	191.00

#### Payments

To Trustees of Trust Funds, account cemetery perpetual care funds ....	\$200.00
Labor on Common .....	8.00
Account Cemetery Lots:	
Isaac Cazneau .....	6.00
Geo. W. and Minnie A. Sidelinker ..	11.00
Sabra Carter (Jaques Lot) .....	6.00
William H. Carter .....	4.00
Dolly Harnden .....	6.00
Thomas P. Eames .....	4.00
Sabra Carter .....	3.00
Rich Carter .....	2.00
S. D. J. Carter .....	6.00
James Frazer .....	10.00
Charlotte C. Smith .....	2.00
Charles H. Hopkins .....	6.00
Abner C. Childs .....	3.00
Gilman C. Harnden .....	7.00
Laura Parker .....	2.00
Sarah G. Sheldon .....	6.00
Rufus C. Eames .....	6.00
John Sheldon Sargent .....	6.00
Isabelle Holt .....	3.00
Henry Blanchard .....	3.00
Nathan B. Eames .....	4.00
Thomas Day .....	5.00
Lorenzo Meads .....	6.00
George E. Swain .....	5.00
Josiah Monroe (Elbridge Carter and Walter H. Blanchard Lots) .....	4.00
Jacob H. Shedd .....	4.00
George T. Eames .....	6.00
Jonathan Eames, 2nd .....	4.00
Newman Parker .....	6.00
Irwin E. Morse .....	4.00
Sylvester and Lois R. Carter .....	6.00
Capt. George W. McIntosh .....	7.00
Mary A. Gowing .....	3.00
S. Lizzie Carter .....	3.00
Julia M. Parker (Ward Parker Lot)	3.00
Manuel and Elizabeth Dexter .....	2.00
Jaques Gowing .....	3.00

Benjamin T. Glover .....	3.00	
John W. Perry .....	3.00	
Mary E. Kelley .....	4.00	
Henry G. Gowing .....	4.00	
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	\$399.00	\$399.00

### Reserve Fund

Appropriation .....		\$5,000.00
Transferred to:		
Election and Registration .....	\$160.00	
Sealing, Weights and Measures ....	45.00	
Tree Warden .....	300.00	
Health and Sanitation .....	1,000.00	
Board of Public Welfare .....	2,000.00	
State Aid .....	6.00	
Soldiers' Relief .....	140.00	
Vocational Training .....	760.65	
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	\$4,411.65	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	588.35	
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	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

### Premium on Sale Water Department Bonds

	<i>Cr.</i>	
Balance from 1930 .....		\$9,167.25
	<i>Dr.</i>	
Transferred to Town Indebtedness Ac- count .....	\$9,167.25	

### Tax Titles—Property Tax Sale Account

	<i>Dr.</i>	
Balance from 1930 .....	\$4,081.99	
Taxes and expenses on property taken by Town .....	2,405.88	
	<i>Cr.</i>	
Received from redeemed tax titles ...		\$514.46
Balance .....		5,973.41
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	\$6,487.87	\$6,487.87
Dr. Balance to 1932 .....	\$5,973.41	

### Tax Titles—Revenue Account

	<i>Cr.</i>	
Transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account (offset to Tax Titles) .....		\$6,487.87
	<i>Dr.</i>	
To Excess and Deficiency Account (tax titles redeemed) .....	\$514.46	
Balance .....	5,973.41	
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	\$6,487.87	\$6,487.87
Cr. Balance to 1932 .....		\$5,973.41

## Abatement 1929 Taxes

<i>Dr.</i>		
1929 Taxes refunded .....	\$18.75	
1929 Taxes abated .....	14.00	
Balance to Overlay Reserve Account..	184.86	
<i>Cr.</i>		
Balance from 1930 .....		\$217.61
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	\$217.61	\$217.61

## Abatement 1930 Taxes

<i>Dr.</i>		
1930 Taxes refunded .....	\$31.45	
1930 Taxes abated .....	1,017.60	
<i>Cr.</i>		
Balance from 1930 .....		\$896.77
Transferred from Overlay Reserve Account .....		152.28
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	\$1,049.05	\$1,049.05

## Abatement 1931 Taxes

<i>Dr.</i>		
1931 Taxes abated .....	\$274.39	
Balance .....	1,089.77	
<i>Cr.</i>		
1931 Overlay .....		\$1,364.16
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	\$1,364.16	\$1,364.16
Cr. Balance to 1932 .....		\$1,089.77

## Overlay Reserve Account

<i>Dr.</i>		
1925, 1926, 1927, 1928 taxes refunded ..	\$57.73	
Transferred to Abatement of 1930 taxes .....	152.28	
Balance .....	1,261.23	
<i>Cr.</i>		
Balance from 1930 .....		\$1,286.38
From Abatement 1929 Taxes .....		184.86
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	\$1,471.24	\$1,471.24
Cr. Balance to 1932 .....		\$1,261.23

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

<i>Dr.</i>		
Balance due from 1930 .....	\$2,000.00	
Allotment account Salem and Lowell Streets .....	749.83	
Allotment account Burlington Avenue .....	3,861.55	
<i>Cr.</i>		
Received in 1931 .....		\$6,611.38
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	\$6,611.38	\$6,611.38

## County of Middlesex

*Dr.*

Balance due from 1930 .....	\$2,000.00	
Allotment account Salem and Lowell Streets .....	749.83	
Allotment account Burlington Avenue .....	3,861.55	
<i>Cr.</i>		
Received in 1931 .....		\$6,611.38
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	\$6,611.38	\$6,611.38

## Tax Revenue Account

*Dr.*

Appropriations (for Town purposes) .....	\$213,703.69	
Balance to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	24.40	
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		\$213,728.09

*Cr.*

Committed to Collector .....	\$166,260.03	
Estimated Receipts .....	47,468.06	
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		\$213,728.09

## Estimated Receipts

*Dr.*

## Estimated Amounts:

Income Tax .....	\$23,002.84	
Automobile Excise Tax .....	7,519.24	
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	1,192.00	
Highways (Chap. 122) .....	1,464.27	
Corporation Tax, Bus. ....	894.40	
Corporation Tax, P. S. ....	523.87	
Corporation Tax, P. S. addt'l .....	7.18	
Trust Company Tax .....	11.53	
National Bank Tax .....	113.59	
Licenses .....	782.25	
Court Fines .....	165.00	
Town Clerk .....	4.00	
Protection of Persons and Property .....	979.76	
Highways .....	42.98	
Charities .....	2,333.92	
Soldiers' Benefits .....	420.50	
Education .....	2,405.38	
Library .....	68.61	
Parks .....	50.00	
Interest .....	5,276.97	
Veterans' Exemptions .....	83.67	
Land Sold .....	80.00	
Refund Gas Tax .....	48.04	
Reimbursement, Loss of Tax .....	6.06	
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		\$47,476.06
Refund, Automobile Excise Taxes .....		47.76
Balance to Excess and Deficiency Account .....		.67
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		\$47,524.49



# Estimated Receipts

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## Amounts Actually Received:

Income Tax, 1931 .....	\$23,910.95
Automobile Excise Tax, 1931 .....	3,921.78
Automobile Excise Tax, 1930 .....	2,226.52
Automobile Excise Tax, 1929 .....	340.15
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	728.00
Corporation Tax, Bus. 1931 .....	779.69
Corporation Tax, P. S., 1931 .....	509.98
Corporation Tax, 1930 .....	5.34
Trust Company Tax, 1931 .....	4.29
Trust Company Tax, 1930 .....	.08
Trust Company Tax, 1929 .....	.17
National Bank Tax, 1931 .....	76.43
National Bank Tax, 1930 .....	.29
National Bank Tax, 1929 .....	.20
Street Railway Tax, 1931 .....	302.02
Fire Prevention Tax, refund .....	.36
Licenses .....	804.16
Court Fines .....	175.00
Town Clerk, printed records .....	3.00

## Protection of Persons and Property:

Fire Department, use of inhalator .....	13.74
Building Inspection, fees .....	61.50
Sealing Weights and Measures, fees .....	87.25

### Moth Department:

Private work .....	\$27.63	
Telephone tolls .....	3.93	31.56

Tree Warden, private work .....	700.00
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### Highways:

Refund tax on gas used .....	\$57.94	
Refund freight .....	1.13	
Snow removal, State .....	137.50	
Discount, oil and grease .....	3.30	
Sale stone crusher .....	65.00	
Grading .....	300.00	564.87

Highways, State gasoline tax, Chap. 122 .....	1,464.27
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## Charities:

### Board Public Welfare:

Outside board .....	\$275.00	
State, temporary aid .....	1,392.77	
Other cities, aid .....	491.87	2,159.64

Mothers' Aid, from State .....	582.98
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### Soldiers' Benefits:

State Aid, from State .....	335.00
Military Aid, from State .....	135.00



## Education:

## Schools:

Account Superintendent, State..	\$1,181.70	
Dog Licenses .....	912.69	
Tuition, State .....	526.93	
Tuition, other towns .....	164.00	2,785.32

Library, Fines and books sold .....	103.70
Parks, Rent of land .....	50.00

## Interest:

On taxes .....	\$4,055.59	
On Excise taxes .....	138.35	
On Tax titles .....	55.16	
On deposits .....	285.26	4,534.36

Veterans' Exemptions, from State .....	120.81
Reimbursement, loss of tax, State .....	6.08

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\$47,524.49

## Excess and Deficiency Account

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To Tax Title Revenue Account .....	\$6,487.87
Balance .....	5,600.04
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	\$12,087.91

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Balance from 1930 .....	\$6,645.09
From Tax Title Revenue Account (redeemed tax titles) .....	514.46
From Tax Revenue Account .....	24.40
From Estimated Receipts .....	.67

## Unexpended Balances:

Selectmen .....	\$182.03
Town Accountant .....	4.24
Treasurer .....	31.02
Tax Collector .....	2.26
Assessors .....	7.17
Finance Committee .....	22.54
Town Plans .....	2.29
Town Counsel .....	88.95
Town Clerk .....	13.12
Town Clerk's Filing Cabinet .....	4.45
Election and Registration .....	43.56
Town Hall .....	134.56
Police Department .....	24.10
Fire Department .....	475.74
Building Inspection .....	87.69
Sealing Weights and Measures ....	2.25
Moth Suppression .....	9.33
Tree Warden .....	10.34
Forest Fires .....	73.10
Health and Sanitation .....	8.99

Highways, Roads and Bridges .....	92.08	
Burlington Avenue 1930 Account ...	1.11	
Burlington Avenue 1931 Account ...	69.23	
Salem and Lowell Streets .....	.18	
Electric Street Lights .....	524.35	
Board of Public Welfare .....	21.06	
Mothers' Aid .....	32.25	
Military Aid .....	115.00	
Schools .....	335.26	
Vocational Training .....	4.17	
Library .....	44.63	
Parks .....	3.58	
Unclassified .....	358.57	
Cemetery .....	2.86	
Interest .....	1,463.15	
Reserve Fund .....	588.35	
Glen Road Water Mains .....	6.15	
Woburn Street (North) Water Mains	3.03	
Woburn Street (South) Water Mains	10.55	4,903.29
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		\$12,087.91

### Recapitulation of 1931 Taxes

Total appropriation for Town purposes .....	\$213,703.69
State Tax .....	4,200.00
State Parks and Reservations Tax .....	( 72.77
County Tax .....	6,977.04
County Tuberculosis Hospital Tax .....	788.57
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	1,184.00
Overlay .....	1,364.16
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	\$228,290.23

### Raised as follows:

Poll taxes, 1,137 @ \$2.00 .....	\$2,274.00	
Property tax, \$4,333,709 @ \$41.20 ....	178,548.17	
Estimated Receipts .....	47,468.06	\$228,290.23

### Committed to Collector

Real Estate and Personal Tax .....		\$178,548.17
Poll Taxes .....		2,274.00
Special Forestry Tax .....		.16
Additional Commitment .....		24.24
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		\$180,846.57
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	\$1,184.00	
Old Age Assistance Tax (additional).	8.00	1,192.00
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Automobile Excise Tax .....		8,549.06
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		\$190,587.63

**STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT****Temporary Loans**

(Anticipation of Revenue)

**Outstanding January 1, 1931:**

Note No. 79 .....	\$35,000.00	
Note No. 80 .....	15,000.00	
Note No. 81 .....	61,000.00	\$111,000.00

**Borrowed during 1931:**

Note No. 85 .....	\$15,000.00	
Note No. 86 .....	20,000.00	
Note No. 87 .....	40,000.00	
Note No. 88 .....	25,000.00	
Note No. 89 .....	65,000.00	
Note No. 90 .....	25,000.00	190,000.00

**\$301,000.00****Paid during 1931:**

Note No. 79 .....	\$35,000.00	
Note No. 80 .....	15,000.00	
Note No. 81 .....	61,000.00	
Note No. 85 .....	15,000.00	
Note No. 86 .....	20,000.00	
Note No. 87 .....	40,000.00	186,000.00

**Outstanding December 31, 1931 ..... \$115,000.00****Emergency Loan**

(Issue of 1930)

**Outstanding January 1, 1931:**

Note No. 83 .....	\$2,000.00	
Note No. 84 .....	3,000.00	\$5,000.00

**Paid during 1931:**

Note No. 83 .....	\$2,000.00	
Note No. 84 .....	3,000.00	\$5,000.00

**High School House Bonds**

(Issue of 1914)

Outstanding January 1, 1931 .....	\$7,000.00
Paid during 1931 .....	1,750.00
Outstanding December 31, 1931 .....	\$5,250.00

**Highway Department Loan**

(Issue of 1927)

Outstanding January 1, 1931, Note No. 55 .....	\$1,000.00
Paid during 1931, Note No. 55 .....	\$1,000.00

**Water Department Bonds**

(Issue of 1928)

Outstanding January 1, 1931 .....	\$350,000.00
Paid during 1931 .....	12,500.00
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Outstanding December 31, 1931 .....	\$337,500.00

**Summary of Town Debt**

Temporary Loans (Anticipation of Revenue) .....	\$115,000.00
High School House Bonds .....	5,250.00
Water Department Bonds .....	337,500.00
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	\$457,750.00

**BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1931***Dr.*

Cash in Treasury .....	\$21,581.01
George W. Buck, Collector, uncollected taxes:	
1930 Property and Polls.. \$5,635.57	
1931 Property and Polls.. 101,695.16	\$107,330.73
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1931 Old Age Assistance Tax .....	464.00
1929 Auto. Excise Tax .. \$1,571.89	
1930 Auto. Excise Tax .. 2,446.82	
1931 Auto. Excise Tax .. 4,453.50	8,472.21
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Tax Titles .....	5,973.41
Balancing Account, High School House Bonds .....	5,250.00
Balancing Account, Water Department Bonds .....	337,500.00
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	\$486,571.36

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Temporary Loans (anticipation of revenue) .....	\$115,000.00
Old Age Assistance Tax—Revenue Account .....	464.00
Automobile Excise Tax—Revenue Account .....	8,472.21
Tax Titles—Revenue Account .....	5,973.41
High School House Bonds .....	5,250.00
Water Department, Bonds .....	337,500.00
Water Department, Operating Account, Balance ....	2,670.87
Surplus War Bonus Funds .....	1,475.83
Cemetery Reserve Fund (sale of lots and graves) ..	1,730.00
State Highway Land Damages .....	84.00
Abatement 1931 Taxes .....	1,089.77
Overlay Reserve Account .....	1,261.23
Excess and Deficiency Account .....	5,600.04
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	\$486,571.36

HARRY R. DEMING,  
Town Accountant.

## DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Following is a list of departmental recommendations for 1932, with reasons for increase, if any, over 1931:

Department	Amount	Reasons for Increase
Selectmen .....	\$750.00	
Town Accountant .....	650.00	
Treasurer .....	1,015.00	
Tax Collector .....	2,100.00	Increase in bond premium
Assessors .....	2,100.00	
Finance Committee .....	75.00	
Town Counsel .....	600.00	
Town Clerk .....	500.00	
Election and Registration..	500.00	
Town Hall .....	450.00	
Police Department .....	6,500.00	
Constable .....	50.00	
Fire Department .....	6,500.00	
Hydrant Rental .....	4,960.00	Four new hydrants
Building Inspection .....	500.00	
Sealing, Weights and Measures .....	413.00	Insurance on standards
Moth Department .....	1,100.00	
Tree Warden .....	700.00	
Forest Fires .....	1,000.00	
Health and Sanitation ....	500.00	
Public Health Nurse .....	1,200.00	
Highways, General Account	22,000.00	
Construction (Shawsheen Ave.) .....	4,000.00	Rebuilding bridge
Burlington Ave., Salem and Lowell Sts. ....	750.00	
Electric Street Lights ....	7,685.00	
Board of Public Welfare ..	12,000.00	Increased aid
Mothers' Aid .....	1,350.00	
State Aid .....	500.00	Increase in aid by State
Military Aid .....	300.00	
Soldiers' Relief .....	2,500.00	Increase in aid
Schools .....	70,000.00	
Vocational Training .....	3,000.00	More pupils
Library .....	1,000.00	
Parks .....	325.00	
Firemen's Pensions .....	542.00	
Unclassified .....	750.00	
Memorial Day .....	400.00	

Water Department .....	Unexpended 1931 Balance, 1932 Receipts
Cemetery .....	2,700.00
Interest .....	20,145.00
Town Indebtedness .....	14,250.00
Reserve Fund .....	5,000.00

Yours respectfully,

HARRY R. DEMING,

Town Accountant.

## REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

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January 7, 1932.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with the requirements of the Town By-Laws, I submit herewith my report as Town Counsel covering the year 1931.

A. On January 1, 1931, there were pending the following actions by or against the Town (exclusive of actions in which the Town was merely summoned as trustee, and in which it had no interest):

Hakey v. Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court.

(Action of tort by Mary Jane Surrette Hakey to recover damages for personal injuries alleged to have been received by reason of a defect in Middlesex Avenue; ad damnum \$5000.)

Town of Wilmington v. Wilmington Packing Company, Middlesex Superior Court.

(Bill in equity brought to enjoin the Wilmington Packing Company from conducting a rendering plant without a permit.)

Shepard v. Town of Wilmington, Essex Superior Court.

(Action of tort by Ernest J. Shepard to recover damages for personal injuries alleged to have been received by reason of a defect in Woburn Street; ad damnum \$4000.)

Directors of Boston & Maine Railroad v. Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court.

(Application for appointment of a special commission to determine who is to do the work involved in the alteration of a railroad bridge in Wilmington decreed by the County Commissioners, namely, the Eames Street bridge, and who is to pay the expense thereof, or how the same shall be apportioned.)

Town of Billerica v. Town of Wilmington et als, Suffolk Superior Court.

(Bill in equity brought by the Town of Billerica and joining all of the interested parties to determine the proper disposition of the funds available for payment of the cost of construction of the Nichols Street bridge over the Shawsheen River among the several claimants thereto.)

B. During the year 1931 there were no new actions brought by or against the Town.

C. During the year 1931 the following actions by or against the Town were settled and disposed of:

Town of Billerica v. Town of Wilmington et als, Suffolk Superior Court.

(Final decree in this case fixing the amounts to be paid by the Town of Wilmington and the persons to whom payment should be made was entered December 28th, 1931. The total



amount required to be paid by the Town under this decree is the same amount which it had already agreed to pay under its arrangement with the Town of Billerica for the construction of the Nichols Street bridge, but the decree protects the Town in making payment as therein provided, as against other possible claimants.)

Directors of Boston & Maine Railroad v. Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court.

(This was the case relating to the special commission for the apportionment of the expense of the Eames Street bridge. A hearing was had before a special commission appointed by the Superior Court, which commission determined that the railroad should furnish all the materials and do all the work necessary to accomplish the alterations in the bridge which had been ordered by the County Commissioners; that the Town of Wilmington should contribute to the railroad the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000) as its share of the cost of said alterations; that the railroad should pay the costs of the application to the County Commissioners and of the hearing before the special commission; that the railroad should hereafter maintain and keep in repair the bridge and its abutments; and that the Town should hereafter maintain and keep in repair the approaches and the wearing surface of said bridge. This finding was approved by decree of the Superior Court entered by consent October 23, 1931.)

In addition to the above, it should be noted that on September 8, 1930, the long pending suit of George L. Taylor v. Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court, was dismissed under the provisions of Rule 62. Reference to this was omitted by inadvertence from my previous report.

D. The compensation received by the Town Counsel in said actions and in all other matters during the year is as follows:

Compensation:	\$1,460.00
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(This amount was entirely on account  
of services rendered in 1930)

Disbursements:	33.97
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Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP B. BUZZELL,

Town Counsel.



# REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I submit the following report of the work of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1931.

Number of Arrests .....	50
Males .....	48
Females .....	2
Residents .....	28
Non-Residents .....	22

## Causes of Arrest

Non-Support .....	8
Non-Payment of Wages .....	2
Drunks .....	15
Violation of the Automobile Laws .....	10
Assault and Battery .....	4
Insane .....	1
Maintaining Gambling Nuisance .....	1
Breaking and Entering and Larceny .....	1
Malicious Mischief .....	2
Larceny .....	2
Concealing Leased Property .....	1
Violation of the Liquor Laws .....	2
Bastardy .....	1
Stubborn Child .....	2
Contempt of Court .....	1
Keeping Unlicensed Dogs .....	1
Assault with Intent to Kill .....	1
Manslaughter .....	1
Receiving Stolen Property .....	1

## Disposition of Cases

House of Correction .....	3
Suspended Sentence, House of Correction .....	6
Suspended Sentence, State Farm, Bridgewater .....	1
Danvers Insane Asylum .....	1
State Prison .....	1
Placed on Probation .....	5
Placed on File .....	3
Released .....	4
Number of Fines Imposed .....	14
Amount of Fines Imposed .....	\$570.00
Amount of Stolen Property Recovered .....	\$5,300.00
Turned over to the Lowell Police .....	1
Turned over to the Tewksbury Police .....	1
Turned over to the Lexington Police .....	1

Turned over to the Boston Police .....	2
Turned over to the Woburn Police .....	2
Search Warrants .....	2
Appealed Cases .....	2
Cases Investigated .....	22
Dogs Disposed of .....	51

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER A. HILL,

Chief of Police.

# REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my fourteenth annual report as Chief of the Fire Department.

This Department has answered calls as follows for the year ending December 31, 1931.

## RECORD OF ALARMS

Month	House	Brush	Total
January .....	3		3
February .....	6		6
March .....	6	7	13
April .....	4	58	62
May .....	1	31	32
June .....	2	2	4
July .....	3	3	6
August .....	1	4	5
September .....	7	1	8
October .....	5	7	12
November .....	2	9	11
December .....	9	4	13
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Valuation of Buildings Totally Destroyed .....	\$9,225.00
Valuation of Buildings Not Destroyed .....	14,900.00
Damage to Buildings .....	2,405.00
Valuation of Contents .....	38,600.00
Damage to Contents .....	12,110.00
Valuation of Autos .....	3,600.00
Damage to Autos .....	1,115.00
Valuation of Trucks .....	500.00
Damage to Trucks .....	500.00
Number of feet of 2½-inch hose laid .....	18,600
Number of feet of 1½-inch hose laid .....	13,650
Number of feet of Chemical hose laid .....	3,300
Gallons of Chemical .....	1,490
Fire Permits Issued .....	197
Oil Permits Issued .....	129
Hydrants Used .....	22
Mileage of Trucks:	
Reo .....	624.2
La France .....	179.1
Ford Howe .....	170
Model AA Ford .....	414.9

## ROLL OF DEPARTMENT

Chief  
Edwin L. Day

Asst. Chief  
Winfred W. Rice

Captain  
Chester T. Horton

Clerk  
Charles H. Black

W. G. Buckle  
L. Carter  
J. Castine  
J. Cotton  
N. Darling

E. Downing  
F. Field  
J. Gracie  
J. McAndrew  
F. Muse  
E. Parker

N. Perry  
R. Porter  
H. Quigley  
N. Rice  
R. Wood

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN L. DAY,

Chief of Fire Department.

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1931.

Number of platforms over 5,000 lbs. ....	3
Number of platforms under 5,000 lbs. ....	17
Number of counter scales under 100 lbs. ....	15
Number of beam scales under 100 lbs. ....	1
Number of spring scales over 100 lbs. ....	12
Number of spring scales under 100 lbs. ....	44
Number of computing scales under 100 lbs. ....	14
Number of personal weighing scales ....	5
Number of weights avoirdupois ....	92
Number of compartments on vehicle tanks ....	8
Number of liquid measures ....	191
Number of gasoline pumps ....	51
Number of kerosene measuring devices ....	8
Number of quantity stops sealed ....	316
Number of oil measuring devices ....	14
Number of yard measures ....	1
Number of gasoline meters ....	14
Number of scales condemned ....	3
Number of gasoline pumps condemned ....	3
Number of licenses inspected ....	10
Number of transient vendors' licenses approved ....	5
Number of clinical thermometers observed ....	4
Sealing fees collected and turned over to Town Treasurer	\$87.25

### Appropriation and Expense of Department as follows:

Appropriation .....	\$350.00
Transferred .....	45.00
	\$395.00
Total Expense .....	\$392.75
Unexpended Balance .....	2.25
	\$395.00
	\$395.00

An increase of \$62.75 will be necessary to cover insurance on State Standard.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. MUSE,

Sealer.

# REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the report of Inspector of Buildings from January 1, 1931, to April 1, 1931.

Dwelling .....	1
Cottages .....	3
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	4

The fees of \$4.00 were collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. CROTEAU,  
Inspector of Buildings.

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit a report as Building Inspector from April 1 to December 31, 1931.

The total number of permits granted was 68, with an estimated value of \$46,990.

Permits granted for new construction, 49 @ \$1 each.

Permits granted for alterations, 19 @ 50c each.

The above fees of \$58.50 were collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER T. HORTON.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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The detailed report of the Library will be found in the report submitted by the Librarian.

During the past year we have added many volumes of books and have also added some much-needed furniture to the Library.

While the funds at our disposal are not large, we realize the necessity, this coming year, of curtailing every appropriation and we have, therefore, put in for a smaller budget for the year 1932. The Trustees will be pleased to have suggestions from Readers as to books they would like to have purchased. It is not always possible to purchase all the books requested, but consideration will be given to the purchase of any books requested.

The Financial Report of the Library will be found under the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD N. EAMES, Chairman,  
LOUIS T. McMAHON,  
HOWARD E. BEDELL,  
HELEN H. BUCK,  
PETER NEILSON,  
PHILIP B. BUZZELL.

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

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To the Honorable Board of Trustees:

I herewith submit my annual report as Librarian.

Public documents, books, pamphlets and bulletins received, 77. Eighteen Massachusetts reports and 16 paper-covered books sent in by the Town Clerk.

A booklet "The Story of Pequot" has been presented by Pequot Mills, 4 paper pamphlets from California Fruit Growers' Exchange, booklets and chart on soap from Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., and two pamphlets. "Peace River County, Canada," and "Travelers' Guide to Germany," have been given.

Number of books purchased .....	229 volumes
Number of books replaced .....	2 volumes
Number of books presented .....	31 volumes
Number of books not returned by borrowers .....	8 volumes
Number of books worn out and discarded .....	56 volumes

Two books purchased were found objectionable and taken out of Library.

Seventy-five books have been rebound.

Seven books not needed in Library, with four others given, were sent to the Merchant Marine Library Association.

Number of books in Library .....	6,235 volumes
Number of books taken out during the year .....	11,092 volumes
Number of persons taking out books .....	805

The reading table has been supplied from the Town appropriation with the following magazines: Radio News, Popular Science, Popular Mechanics, Scientific American, National Sportsman, Hygeia, Nature Magazine, National Geographic, Good Housekeeping, The American, Country Gentleman, Boy's Life, The Youth's Companion combined with The American Boy, St. Nicholas and Child Life.

Some others contributed by friends are Our Dumb Animals, Living Tissue, Columbia, Motion Picture, N. E. Poultryman, Bell Telephone Quarterly, American Issue, Wilson Bulletin, Today's Magazine of America, Specialty Salesman, U. S. Army Recruiting News, Silent Hostess, Virginia, The World Tomorrow (for the greater part of the year) and the Town paper, Wilmington News.

The Library has joined the Junior Literary Guild; by this arrangement four books are added to the Library each month.

A new desk and chairs have been purchased for the room.



A portrait of the late Dr. D. T. Buzzell, who served on the Board of Trustees for many years has been presented by Mr. Louis T. McMahon.

Received for fines on books .....	\$98.50
Received for thirty-eight old books sold .....	3.80
Received for two books lost, one ruined and one injured..	1.40
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Passed in to Town Treasurer .....	\$103.70

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA T. SHELDON,

Librarian.

## REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

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June 15, 1931, Wilmington, Mass.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my report of expenditures for the proper observances of Memorial Day, May 30, 1931.

Appropriation .....	\$400.00	
Music (Wakefield Band) .....	\$110.00	
Speaker (Mr. Albert Leman) .....	25.00	
Flowers (George Newcomb) .....	65.50	
Flags (Disabled Vets Association) .....	8.50	
Postage and Stationery (Secretary) .....	2.00	
Printing (Programs Wilmington News) .....	4.75	
Taxi Service (Charles Skank) .....	10.00	
Taxi Service (Carol Gray) .....	10.00	
Taxi Service (William Cavanaugh) .....	10.00	
Dinner (American Legion Auxiliary) .....	138.50	
Ammunition (500 rounds) .....	15.75	
		\$400.00    \$400.00

Respectfully yours,

MAURICE O. REEBENACKER,

Chairman Town Memorial Day Committee.

OSCAR E. DuBORD, Secretary.

## REPORT OF THE WORK DONE BY THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE IN THE TOWN OF WILMINGTON

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The work of the Middlesex County Extension Service in Wilmington for the past year has accomplished the following results:

In agriculture personal farm visits have been made upon request, largely to help farmers with their poultry and fruit problems. Spray service cards and other information were sent to those on the mailing list.

In homemaking, one group was formed in the north part of the town under the leadership of Mrs. Charles Allgrove and Mrs. Rodney Buck. In the center of the town another group has carried on with the Child Guidance project under the leadership of Mrs. Alexander Cameron and Mrs. A. G. MacLeod. These monthly meetings were conducted and planned to help parents to the better understanding of their children and the development of a constructive program. The home demonstration agent made home visits wherever homemakers requested special help. A talk was given before the local Grange, also an illustrated garden lecture was given at the Catholic Club.

Sixty-one boys and girls were enrolled in 4-H Club work, largely in the garden, poultry and food clubs. Miss Henrietta Swain was chairman of this work, as well as leader. Other leaders were: Oscar DuBord, Norman Darling, Everett Bedell and Charles Fish.

Joseph Lynch and Josephine Roy were awarded a two-day trip to the Massachusetts State College for doing outstanding club work. Donald Fossey was awarded a horticultural medal for garden club work. The boys and girls of the town took part, with 3,700 other boys and girls, in Middlesex County, in carrying on county-wide projects.

In November new projects were started with three new leaders, Mrs. Paul Todd leading a Home-Craft Club and Mrs. Frank Patch and Mrs. Howard Cates clothing clubs.

The present membership of all clubs is seventy-six.

A local exhibit will be held in the late spring.

Of general interest to the townspeople were the county-wide agricultural meetings held, the Homemakers' Day in Lexington in June and the County Picnic held at Wayside Inn.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSEANNA T. MANNING,

Director.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

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February 5, 1932.

To the Board Health, Wilmington, Mass.:

The following is a list of cases reported by the Board of Health during the year 1931.

Lobar Pneumonia .....	1
Tuberculosis .....	2
Scarlet Fever .....	4
Infantile Paralysis .....	1
Typhoid Fever .....	1
Diphtheria .....	2

Respectfully submitted,

LYMAN R. ORTON, M. D.,

Agent, Board of Health.

## Report of Wilmington Public Health Nursing Service

Year of 1931

### Record of Visits Made

Nursing Visits .....	1,044
Infant Welfare Visits .....	105
Prenatal Visits .....	87
Child Welfare Visits .....	131
Social Service Visits .....	216
Attendance at Clinics .....	11
Other Visits .....	114
Total .....	<u>1,728</u>

### Miscellaneous

Hospital Visits .....	20
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ALICE DOUCETTE, R. N.,

Public Health Nurse.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
  
of the  
  
**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

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**Together with the Report of**  
  
**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

**For the Year ending December 31, 1931**



# REPORT OF WILMINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR 1931

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To the Citizens of Wilmington:

The past year has not been eventful in the public schools of Wilmington. In spite of crowded conditions, the efficiency of previous years has been maintained.

The lack of a convenient place for High School Assemblies is felt to be the most serious defect in present arrangements.

The idea of more portable school houses is not popular, yet this year we may have to choose between them and classes divided into "platoons" for shortened and doubled school sessions. The school population of the town continues to grow.

The cost of education in Wilmington has increased of late very slightly. Comparisons of school expenses in this town with such expenses in adjoining towns are interesting and instructive.

	Pupils (net aver.)	Total Cost	Per Pupil	Transpor- tation
Wilmington .....	968	\$65,122.83	\$67.27	\$6,517.12
Tewksbury .....	585	50,985.78	87.15	9,255.40
Reading .....	2,042	228,220.32	111.76	6,931.10
Billerica .....	1,247	104,987.36	83.81	17,990.00
North Reading .....	419	43,049.68	102.74	15,850.00
Andover .....	1,452	148,160.64	102.04	10,487.40

These figures are for the school year ending June 30, 1931, according to a report recently published by the State Department of Education.

The physical plant of the school department is in good condition but could be improved. The exteriors of the district and portable school houses need painting. The High School will need a new roof next year.

Modern toilet facilities are needed at all the schools except the High School and the portable schools.

Early in the year the heating plants in the High and Centre Schools were thoroughly overhauled and in part renewed.

During the past summer new leases were obtained for the lots of land on which stand the portable schools. The Silver Lake Men's Club is entitled to the lasting gratitude of the town for the use of its land for a nominal rental.

The officers of instruction and all other employees of the School Department have rendered good service and deserve the appreciation of the public.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. HATHAWAY,  
HELEN H. BUCK,  
OLIVIA H. NORCROSS,  
HARRY W. DELORIEA,  
ALFRED S. ALLEN,  
NORMAN W. PERRY.



# REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Committee:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my eighth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

This year I am making a distinct departure from the usual type of report. An endeavor is here made to give to the citizens, by means of a catechism, some very important information concerning the support and administration of the Wilmington schools.

What follows could have been presented much more briefly by means of tables of statistics, or graphs. It is the writer's opinion, however, that very few would make the effort to study such. Graphs may mean much or little, depending on the readers' familiarity with their construction and use.

## As to Numbers

What is the population of Wilmington?

4,013—according to the census of 1930.

What persons are required, by law, to attend school?

All between ages of 7 and 16 years, but a child of 14 may leave, under certain conditions, to go to work, provided he has completed the sixth grade or its equivalent.

How many pupils were enrolled in the local schools?

1,081 on October 1, 1931. This is more than one-quarter of the total population.

How were these divided as to high or elementary schools?

High School 192, Elementary 889. There were also 10 in vocational schools in Boston and Lowell and should be counted as equivalent of high school pupils.

What is the form of organization of the Wilmington Schools?

We follow what is known as the 6—6 plan. This means six grades are elementary, and the other six are united as a high school organization.

Is this a modern type of organization?

Yes. It is perhaps better adapted to a small town than the 6—3—3 type with junior high school.

Does this do away with the old "Grammar School" studies of former days?

By no means; it rather emphasizes them by means of better methods of planning and presentation. At the same time the gap which used to exist between the Grammar School and the High School is robbed of much of its evil.

What branches are required, by law, to be taught in the elementary grades?

Reading, writing, spelling, English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, history and Constitution of the United States, civics, physiology and hygiene, physical education, drawing and good behavior.

What determines the subjects to be taught in the high school in the grades from nine to twelve?

Legally, United States History and Physical Education are prescribed by the state. The remainder of the course of study is subject to the wisdom of the local School Committee. They act on the expert advice of the Principal of the High School and of the Superintendent of Schools.

What other opportunity for education above the elementary grades is available to the children?

Vocational education may be had in the vocational or trade schools of Boston or Lowell.

Is the town obliged to provide this vocational education?

Yes, according to the laws of the Commonwealth. The town is reimbursed for one-half of the money thus spent.

Is special instruction for mentally retarded children provided?

It is when there are ten or more children of this type in the schools. This is a legal requirement.

### Administration

How many members has the School Committee?

Six. Two members are elected each year.

What are the powers and duties of the Committee?

Individually, none; collectively, by majority vote, they have absolute control; as representatives of the citizens, over all questions relating to the conduct of the schools, not already covered by state law.

They are a legislative body whose majority vote determines every condition surrounding the education of the children of the town from grade one through grade twelve. They delegate various elements of this power to their agents, who are responsible only to them.

Their chief duty is to make sure that the children resident in the town get the very best educational opportunity that the town can afford. It is also their duty to make sure that the town gets the quality of education for which it pays.

Among the various elements under control of the committee are: Adoption of the budget and determination of how it shall be spent; election of all employes of the school department; investigation and approval of all changes in school organization as to courses of study and text-books; authorization of repairs and changes in physical equipment of school buildings; control of all expenditures for services or materials.

What are the duties of the Superintendent of Schools?

He is the advisory and executive officer employed by the Committee, as an expert, to carry out all plans and policies of the Committee. He acts for the Committee to make sure that the work of all its employes is carried on with promptness, efficiency and economy. His duties are many more than these, but his general function is as stated. He is the first person who should be consulted on any question concerning any school activity. The Committee should only be asked to act as a final court of appeal from his decisions, thus conserving the time and energy of this unpaid body.

How many persons are regularly employed by the School Committee?

- 1—Superintendent of Schools.
- 1—Principal of High School.
- 13—High School Teachers (including 4 in grades 7 and 8).
- 19—Elementary School Teachers.
- 3—Supervisors—Drawing, Music and Physical Education.
- 1—Nurse.
- 8—Janitors.
- 1—School Physician.
- 1—Attendance Officer.
- 1—Clerk (part time).

### Buildings and Equipment

How many school buildings are in use?

- 1—High School of 12 classrooms.
- 3—Four-room elementary buildings.
- 2—Two-room portables.
- 3—One-room schools.

What is their general condition?

The High School is in a fair state of repair. The chief need for attention is to the roof, which is of tar and gravel, and has been exposed to the elements for nearly 18 years with only minor repairs. The Walker and Whitefield buildings are in good condition but have serious need of improved toilet facilities. The Center School is one of those buildings which one keeps using for lack of anything better. Here the toilet facilities are all but impossible. The portable buildings are from many standpoints the best in the town. Two of the one-room schools are sadly in need of painting.

What is the nature of the seating equipment?

All seats and desks are of the adjustable type. Some of it is worn with age but is still usable.

Are the buildings properly heated and ventilated?

Heating and ventilation in all schools, except the one-room buildings, is better than for a number of years, due to repairs made during the past year.

### Financial Facts

What was the total cost of schools for the fiscal year?

\$69,664.74 was spent from an appropriation of \$70,000.00.

How much of this sum was paid from local taxation?

\$54,039.74 came from the pockets of the citizens of Wilmington.

This amount should have been reduced about \$1,700.00 more if the dog tax be credited to the school department, and if the \$704.28 due for the tuition and transportation of state minor wards had been paid when due.

Who pays this difference?

The difference between the gross and net costs shown above comes from the following sources:

\$14,225.00 from income tax on account of teachers' salaries.

1,160.00 on salary and expenses of Superintendent of Schools.

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\$15,385.00

Other credits which would reduce the net cost to approximately \$52,335.46 are:

\$1,000.00 approximate receipts from dog tax.

240.00 tuition for high school pupils.

704.28 tuition and transportation of state wards—due in 1931.

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\$1,944.28

Why does the state give this reimbursement?

It is done to permit towns like Wilmington to pay salaries sufficient to secure and hold better teachers than it could otherwise afford; and to give the schools the supervision of a superintendent who is professionally trained for his work.

Upon what is this reimbursement based?

It is based upon the number of teachers, their qualifications and experience, with an increased allowance dependent on the ability of the town to pay, as compared with the number of pupils in its schools.

What does this mean per teacher in dollars and cents?

It means a rebate from the state, on each teacher's salary, of from \$350.00 to \$450.00 as follows:

For 22 teachers the rebate is \$450.00 each.

For 6 teachers the rebate is \$400.00 each.

For 6 teachers the rebate is \$350.00 each.

Reimbursement is also received on two part-time supervisors at rates depending on their training and experience.

What is the gross cost per pupil of our schools?

For 1931 it was \$64.48 as compared to a state average of \$98.00.

What was the net cost per pupil to the town?

\$50.92 as compared to a state average of \$79.58. This is about 29c per pupil-day.

What was gross cost of High School education per pupil?

\$116.30 compared to state average of \$139.70.

What was the net cost?

Approximately \$95.00 per pupil or about 50c a day.

Why is the High School cost so much more than the elementary?

High School salaries are higher; books are more expensive, equipment is more costly, especially for commercial pupils; average number in classes much smaller because of small numbers taking certain required subjects in the college course.

What is annual cost of transportation?

In 1931 it was \$6,852.96.

What does this average per pupil actually transported?

\$39.48 approximately or about 22c per pupil-day.

Are we obliged to supply transportation?

Yes, unless every parent, living more than two miles from the school his child must attend, will agree to have his child or children walk to school.

Are we required to furnish vocational education?

Yes, to all who can profit by it.

Who pays for it?

The town and the state divide the expense equally.

Does this come out of the regular school appropriation?

No, it is paid from a special appropriation voted for that purpose.

Is the local salary schedule for teachers high or low?

It is low. The average salary for the state is approximately 54% higher.

What are the average salaries paid teachers?

	Wilmington	State	Difference	State Higher
High School, men	\$2,100.00	\$2,624.00	\$524.00	25%
High School, women	1,300.00	2,027.00	727.00	56%
Elementary	1,106.52	1,702.00	595.00	54%
All teachers	1,237.90	1,910.00	672.00	54%
Supervisors	1,096.00	2,034.00	938.00	86%

What is the gross cost of superintendence?

\$2,789.50 for salary and travel expense.

What is the net cost?

\$1,629.50—The state pays the balance of \$1,160.00.

A tabulated collection of information will be found following in this report showing comparative costs of education in towns of this size and in the towns in this vicinity. The table will repay careful study.

### School Accommodations

Are school accommodations adequate?

We can house the present enrollment and carry on work under present conditions until June 30, 1932. In September 1932 we can no longer seat all of the children at one time, even if there be no increase in numbers from outside of the town.

Is such increase probable?

Yes. The average increase has been between 6% and 7% per year.

How will you meet the situation?

By some plan of part-timing or platooning for the seventh grades.

Will they lose anything by this?

Most assuredly they will. One hour will be cut from their normal school day, which is none too long at best.



For a full statement of probable conditions in the high school, including grades seven and eight, read the report of the High School Principal on pages which follow.

Are these conditions avoidable?

Not without additional high school accommodations.

### Resignations and Elections

From the High School Miss Marjorie Leland resigned to take a position in Danvers, Mass. From the Center School Miss Ruth Childs resigned for a better position in Lexington. Miss Alice Webster, formerly of the Walker School, has taken a position in Middletown, Conn. Stoneham has secured the services of Miss Genevieve Roberts who taught in the Whitefield School until Summer vacation. The services of Miss Patrice Harrington were bid in by the City of Worcester, Miss Harrington's place of residence. Mrs. Genie F. Kimball, who for many years acted as Supervisor of Music, was unable to meet our need of more of her time and resigned that we might secure somebody who was not as fully engaged.

The vacancy left in grade VIII by Miss Leland's resignation was filled by the election of Miss Doris Wright, a normal graduate with several years of successful experience. The vacancy in the Center School was filled by electing Miss Helen Blanchard to that position. She is a normal school graduate without previous experience. Miss Webster's place in the Walker School was filled by transfer of Miss Cannon from the North School. In the school thus left without a teacher, Mrs. Mary Meadows has been serving as temporary teacher with substitute rating. Miss Ruth Maynard was transferred to Miss Roberts' place in the Whitefield School. The vacancy thus created was filled by the election of Miss Althea Baldwin, graduate of one of the kindergarten training schools. Miss Helen Cazneau, a local resident, was selected to serve as Supervisor of Music. Greatly increased enrollment in the High School made necessary the addition of Miss Stephanie Bean and Miss Ruth Wisotsky to the staff. Miss Bean is from Colby College, Miss Wisotsky from Boston University.

### General Observations

Doubtless there are many other questions which an interested citizen might ask. The writer has tried to present and answer those which are most commonly put to school officials.

It is to be hoped that a greater number than usual of the voters will read this report. It contains information which should be of special interest and importance in these times when expenditures are so carefully scrutinized. It is the writer's opinion that the expenditures of the school department will bear any examination with credit to the School Committee. They are ever watchful of payments and balances, and they know at each monthly meeting the exact financial standing of the department.

On pages which follow will be found tables showing the number and distribution in the grades of the elementary school children of the town.

### Conclusion

Another year marked by harmonious functioning of the various elements of the school system has passed. The schools have progressed satisfactorily as a result of this harmony. The Superintendent hereby expresses his sincere appreciation to all who have been associated with him in securing another satisfactory year of progress. Special credit is merited by those teachers who have given their best even though deprived of the full salary increases they had expected. They took their cut in salary before that procedure became the popular municipal procedure.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN,  
SUPT. OF SCHOOLS.



TABLE I

Town	Popu- lation 1930	Valuation	Average No. Pupils	Total Cost for Support of Schools	Valu- ation Per Pupil	Cost per \$1,000 Valu- ation	Per Pupil Cost from Local Taxa- tion	Per Pupil Cost from All Sources
Medfield . . . .	4,066	\$2,814,737	387	\$31,306.07	\$7,607	\$9.90	\$75.31	\$88.55
Lee . . . . .	4,061	4,966,556	822	62,654.15	6,484	10.52	68.18	80.76
Wilmington . .	4,013	4,282,475	1,041	64,627.05	4,424	11.89	52.61	67.27
Oxford . . . . .	3,943	3,108,790	801	62,158.24	3,906	17.16	67.01	80.93
Swansea . . . .	3,941	4,413,415	829	62,824.01	5,822	10.37	60.38	75.08
Billerica . . . .	5,880	9,326,395	1,320	108,647.66	7,479	10.16	76.01	83.81
Burlington . . .	1,722	2,596,477	353	33,752.87	6,924	8.51	58.94	90.69
Tewksbury . . .	5,585	3,504,607	603	47,865.00	5,991	10.67	63.90	87.15
No. Reading . .	1,948	2,325,548	376	43,964.18	5,550	10.94	60.68	102.74
Middleton . . .	1,712	1,852,100	255	20,765.71	7,685	9.24	71.00	91.65
Andover . . . .	9,969	17,073,498	1,725	147,654.47	11,759	7.92	93.08	102.04
Reading . . . .	9,767	15,830,425	1,529	232,747.38	7,752	12.24	94.91	111.76

TABLE II  
AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	T	UA	OA
I .....	14	99	22	4	2	1		1								143	14	8
II .....		8	54	36	9		2									109	8	11
III .....			21	57	22	8	1									109	21	9
IV .....			1	15	57	27	12	7	1	1						121	16	21
V .....					16	59	22	9	3	4	2	1				116	16	19
VI .....					1	13	50	25	20	13	3					125	14	36
VII .....						1	9	34	29	16	3	1				93	10	20
VIII .....								10	25	27	11					73	10	11
IX .....								1	16	31	15	7	3			73	17	10
X .....									2	11	12	15	4	1		45	13	5
XI .....											11	15	7	2		35	11	2
XII .....												11	15	11	2	39	11	2
T .....	14	107	98	112	107	109	96	87	96	103	57	50	29	14	2	1081	161	154

Heavily leaded diagonal steps show the normal age limits of the various grades.

UA Indicates children young for the grade.

OA Indicates children old for the grade.

TABLE III

## SCHOOL AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	T
South .....	16	7	5										28
West .....	19	14	15										48
North .....	10	6	8										24
Silver Lake	25	16	20	22									83
Maple													
Meadow .	18	14	16	16									64
Whitefield .	27	27	20	45	40								159
Walker ...	28	25	25	38	36								152
Center ....					40	125							165
High .....							93	73	73	45	35	39	358
Totals ..	143	109	109	121	116	125	93	73	73	45	35	39	1081

## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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Mr. S. G. Bean,  
Supt. of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I submit herewith my fourth annual report as Principal of the Wilmington High School.

The usual annual changes in the teaching staff have taken place. Miss Marjorie Leland left to accept a position in the Danvers schools. Miss Doris Wright was engaged to fill Miss Leland's position. Miss Stephanie Bean was employed to teach history and English, coach dramatics and arrange assembly programs. Miss Ruth Wisotsky was employed October first to teach commercial subjects. The employment of these last two teachers was made necessary by an increase in our enrollment from three hundred to three hundred and fifty-five pupils.

Our enrollment for the year 1931-1932 has fluctuated from three hundred and sixty-two to three hundred and fifty-five pupils, where it seems likely to remain for the year. We prepared for this increased enrollment by making an additional class room from part of the old gymnasium.

There are twelve rooms in the high school building furnished for class use. Every room is in use every period of the day, with the exception of the typewriting room which is vacant one period. At present, there are twenty-four unoccupied desks in the ten rooms furnished for home room use. We feel that we are making use of close to one hundred per cent of the available space.

One who attempts to forecast approaching events runs considerable risk of having one's forecast upset. However, after making allowance for those pupils who will graduate, leave school, and new ones moving to town, we expect that in September, 1932, we will have thirty-seven pupils in grade twelve, thirty-eight in grade eleven, sixty-four in grade ten, eighty in grade nine, eighty-seven in grade eight and one hundred and fifteen in grade seven. This will make an enrollment of about four hundred and twenty pupils. We have three hundred and fifty-five pupils at present.

Here we have our annual problem of increasing enrollment, but this coming year we will be unable to provide additional accommodations. For the past three years we have tried every expedient to avoid a two-session school day. With an increase of some sixty to seventy pupils, we are forced to recommend that grade seven be placed upon a half-time plan this coming school year. After giving due consideration to the increase in population, the annual increase in school enrollment, and the enrollment of the first six

grades, we can confidently state that there will be an increasing number of pupils forced to attend school on the half-time plan each succeeding year.

We HOPE to work out an arrangement for the seventh grade half-time plan which will not increase the annual transportation cost for the coming school year. A heavy increase in transportation cost, due to the half-time plan may be expected as a certainty in 1933, and as a possibility in 1932.

We regret very much that economic conditions are such that adequate school accommodations can not be provided. Particularly do we feel the need of an assembly hall, available at all times for school use. The school is constantly growing in size but not in school spirit. The morale of the school is not all that we would have it. We feel that this condition could be corrected if we were able to call our school into assembly when the need is acute. As it is now, we must wait for the second or fourth Thursday when we have the use of Grange Hall, and by that time we have been forced to settle the matter by some less effective means. We use Grange Hall about fifteen times a year for assemblies and afternoon socials. However, this is much better than having no assemblies. The distance from the school and lack of availability make it difficult for us to instill school spirit and keep up the morale of the pupils. This use of Grange Hall as a school assembly hall costs the town about one hundred and twenty-five dollars each year.

Wilmington High School graduated a class of twenty-three pupils June twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred thirty-one. Eight of this number are now attending schools of advanced training. Five of the eight are attending the following four-year, day, degree-granting colleges: Boston University, Harvard University, Massachusetts Normal Art. Wheaton College and University of Delaware. Three other pupils are attending specialized schools for specific training. We, of the faculty, are pleased that the good work of the school has been recognized to the extent that Harvard College accepted one of our graduates without requiring him to take any entrance examination and that the other four colleges did not require more than one examination each. Some of these colleges require all pupils, regardless of scholastic rank or reputation of the secondary school graduating them, to take a general examination in English. I think I can safely say that any college in the country that will accept students upon certificate will accept properly certified graduates of Wilmington High School, and in addition, this high school can fit qualified students to enter most American colleges by the examination route, as evidenced by the fact that four graduates of the Class of 1928 passed all examinations for admission to Harvard College, and one entered Radcliffe College by the same method.

The athletic situation remains about the same. Activities are confined to boys' baseball in the spring and girls' field hockey in the fall. The loss of our gymnasium has greatly hampered all extra-curricular activities. The girls' field hockey team had an unusually fine season, losing but one game, and winning from much larger schools, such as Malden and Methuen. The athletic association is out of debt and has enough money on hand to take care of spring activities.

The growth in the school population will reach the tenth grade this coming school year. It will be necessary to provide additional classes in English, bookkeeping, stenography, typewriting and possibly in biology. This will require the services of an additional teacher for the new tenth grade classes and the purchase of seven more typewriters costing four hundred and ninety dollars. The public in general does not realize how rapidly the school population is growing. Such growth demands additional teachers and increased appropriations for salaries.

We feel great concern for the pupil who is not interested in either the college preparatory or commercial courses. Scant consideration has been given to his needs. We have built up strong four-year college preparatory and commercial courses while we offer only modern history and biology for the general course pupil. He has to select subjects from both college and commercial courses to make out his program of studies. We would make a beginning toward providing for the general course pupil by offering a course in the ninth year which would be a composite of elementary economics, sociology and civil government. United States history, offered in the eleventh year, would be broadened to include economic history and government. Economics, offered in the twelfth year, would be developed into a round table conference based upon the economic problems of the day and the fundamental economic laws responsible for existing conditions.

We are carrying on our work to the best of our abilities under conditions most trying to both pupils and teachers. Whatever success we may achieve would be impossible without the cheerful co-operation we have so generously received from them.

To summarize: We shall have three sections of seventh grade instead of two as in past years; this will necessitate the employment of an additional grade teacher and providing an additional school room; we recommend that this additional room be obtained by having two sections use the same room on a half-time basis; we HOPE this half-time proposition can be worked out to avoid any increase in the already heavy transportation cost of the town; there will be new classes in tenth grade English, bookkeeping, stenography, typewriting and possibly in biology; these new classes will require the services of an additional teacher in the high school grades and the purchase of seven more typewriters; increased numbers of pupils must be put on half-time each succeeding year; and an increase in transportation cost the coming school year is a possibility.

In closing permit me to express my appreciation for the consideration and careful thought which you and the Committee have given to the problems of the high school. We have worked and planned together for the past three years to increase our pupil accommodations without any new buildings or increased transportation cost. We shall continue to work for the best interests of the pupils with whatever resources the town may be able to provide.

Respectfully submitted,

J. TURNER HOOD, JR.



## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Supt. of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my third annual report as Supervisor of Physical Education. In presenting this report I am happy to say that I have had splendid co-operation from the principals and teachers, and the response from the children has been most gratifying.

### Grade Schools

The grade schools gave their demonstration on the Common early last May and this was well attended by the parents. Each grade demonstrated different types of work carried on in its program. Some of these types were rhythms, calisthenics, drills, dances, mimetics and games. This year, as last year, each room is visited for one-half an hour once a week and on all other days the work is carried on by the grade teacher. Commencing with the fourth grade, each room is divided into teams and named after different colleges. Points are earned by doing good work and winning games, and keen competition results. This fall the pupils have been examined for faulty posture. This is caused by flat feet, round shoulders, weak muscular development, and defective eyesight and hearing. The pupils are given special exercises to aid in correcting any difficulty, and are asked to practice them at home. There is interest in this work and with the help of pupils and parents I feel that there will be improvement along these lines.

### High School

Physical Education for girls in the High School during the past year has been successful. Due to the lack of a gymnasium the only inter-scholastic competition has been field hockey. Last fall was the first season for Wilmington to have a regular schedule, and the girls did very nice work playing against much older and better equipped teams. There were eight interscholastic matches and the girls were defeated only once.

All girls have three Physical Education periods a week, during the fall and spring months, having instruction in the following: All phases of gymnasium work, soccer, field hockey, basket ball, baseball and track. Teams are organized in these sports with competition in after school hours.

The crowded conditions make it necessary, during the winter months, to hold hygiene classes in the teacher's room, and after school to have tap dancing and tumbling in the halls, typewriting room or wherever a little space can be found.

All High School girls took part in the demonstration on the Common last May. They demonstrated marching tactics, calisthenics, stunts, wand and dumbbell drills and games. Twenty girls dressed in clown suits, doing stunts and building pyramids, seemed to be the outstanding feature of the day.

Last October, to fill in at the Grange Fair, the clowns gave an exhibit, and some younger children danced while others acted the nursery rhymes.

This past January, at the Grange Hall, the High School girls presented "The Toy Shop," a song and dance show which seemed to meet with approval.

I wish to thank you, Mr. Bean, for your hearty co-operation, and for your interest in the physical education of the Wilmington school children.

Respectfully submitted,

EDNA M. COBURN.



## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Supt. of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

My dear Mr. Bean:

I herewith submit my annual report as School Nurse.

No. of Schools Visited .....	126
No. of Class Room Inspections .....	14
No. of Children Examined with School Physician .....	888
No. of Children Weighed and Measured .....	620
No. of Children Referred to School Physician .....	11
No. of Home Visits .....	104
No. of Children taken to N. R. S. S. for Examination ....	5
No. of Children taken to Clinics, Tonsil, Eye, etc. ....	14
No. of Children given First Aid .....	5
No. of Consultations with Doctors, Parents, Board of Health, etc. ....	69
No. of Children Excluded for Contagion .....	19
No. of Class Room Talks .....	12

### Dental Clinic:

No. of Children Attended .....	218
No. of Cleanings .....	200
No. of Amalgam Fillings .....	791
No. of Porcelain Fillings .....	60
No. of Cement Fillings .....	5
No. of Extractions .....	220

Total No. of Operations .....	1,276
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### State Ten Year Clinic held May 25, 1931:

No. of Children Re-examined .....	10
No. of Children Improved .....	8
No. of Children Unimproved .....	2
No. of Children X-Rayed .....	9
No. of Children Recommended for Sanatorium Treatment	1
No. of New Children Examined .....	15
No. of New Children X-Rayed .....	15
No. of New Children Recommended for Summer Camp ..	2
No. of New Children Discharged from Clinic .....	6

### Diphtheria Immunization Clinic:

No. of Children given three doses of Toxin Anti Toxin ..	148
No. of Pre-School Children given three doses of T. A. T.	27

Total .....	175
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State Ten Year Clinic held in December, 1931, instead of April 1, 1932, to accommodate State Dept.

No. of Children Re-Examined .....	20
No. of Children Improved .....	16
No. of Children Unimproved .....	4
No. of Children X-Rayed .....	21
No. of Children Recommended for Summer Camp .....	4
No. of Children Discharged from Clinic .....	3
No. of New Children Examined .....	3
No. of New Children Recommended for Summer Camp ..	1

The examinations by the School Physician revealed a large number of children with physical defects needing immediate attention. However, due to the financial condition of many of the families at this time it is not possible for them to secure medical and surgical treatment. In order that these children may not suffer permanent harm or disability I am planning, with the help of several of the teachers and supervisors, to give an entertainment by the school children. The money realized will be used to correct some of these defects and for any "Health Work" among the school children.

Also the teachers and supervisors of the Wilmington Schools are giving 1½% of their month's salary, for three months, to furnish clothing for school children. This will abolish the necessity of children staying home from school for lack of shoes, rubbers, etc.

The Dental Clinic was again conducted by Dr. McNally who did such splendid work last year and sponsored by the Wilmington Public Health Nurse Association.

This clinic meets a definite need in our schools. Many of the children who have just attended the third clinic which is now in progress find that all they need this year is a cleaning or perhaps one or two small fillings. I am deeply grateful to the W. P. H. N. A. for making it possible for the children to have this privilege.

The Diphtheria Immunization Clinic was conducted by Dr. Orton, School Physician, assisted by Dr. Archibald, our District Health Officer. We were pleased with the co-operation of the parents and hope this year many more will want to be on the safe side and have their children immunized.

The 175 children of last year's clinic will be Schick Tested this year to determine their immunity and at the same time any who have not been tested will have the opportunity.

The child recommended for Sanatorium treatment at the State Clinic has been admitted to a Sanatorium. His condition is much improved and he shows steady progress.

Of the two children recommended for summer camp, we had only enough money from the "Health Seal Sale" to send one. This one showed definite improvement after her summer at camp.

This year five have been recommended for camp. Due to lack of funds only one can be sent. What about the other four? They too should have a chance!

I wish to thank all those who in any way helped us this year to get a little nearer to our goal and ideal, i. e., a healthy body and a sound mind for every school child in Wilmington.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER H. NICHOLS, R. N.,

School Nurse.

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

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Mr. S. G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit my third annual report as Supervisor of Art.

The drawing in the schools has, as in other years, been carried out along definite lines. The object in teaching drawing in the schools is to teach the pupils to appreciate the beauty in nature and art, to improve their surroundings, and, also, to give them the ability to express themselves freely and easily.

In the past year, much has been done to accomplish these things. The primary grades have illustrated stories in booklet form, have had several lessons to teach color, have completed paper cutting and pasting lessons for special days, such as: Thanksgiving, Valentine and Christmas decorations, and have had a number of free expression lessons. Illustrating the Indians helped the second grades to know them better. Just at present they are learning the simple geometric shapes, and combining them in border form to learn the term in design of "Repetition."

The drawing in grade four has been for the most part the same method, only more advanced work in color and design. They have learned to combine complementary harmonies, and have studied central balance in design.

The most important work accomplished in the fifth and sixth grades this year was the "Safety First" and "Health" poster contest. The children worked with great enthusiasm and much was gained, as the posters were entirely original. Out of the two hundred and ninety posters, one hundred and eight good ones were chosen to be exhibited.

The seventh and eighth grades have achieved greater success in drawing this year, as they have double periods every other week, and, therefore, not so much time has been wasted passing materials. They have had lessons on tree shapes, nature lessons, silhouettes of the figure, original calendar illustrations for November and December, perspective, color theory, and at present they are starting design patterns.

The High School classes meet after school as they did last year. It is surprising what a regular attendance I have, considering all the other school activities coming at the same time. The free-hand drawing class made some very good Christmas posters in pastels for the first time. Last spring their work on some travel posters with show card color was exceptional. Some of this same class

worked for weeks designing, lettering and painting the scenery for the graduation pageant. A few boys are taking mechanical drawing, although that also comes after school.

The drawing is correlated with other subjects, and those who attended the health exhibit at the Grange Hall couldn't help but realize this, as drawing was used in nearly every project.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to teachers, pupils and school officials for their loyalty and co-operation in making my work successful.

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY H. GULLIVER.

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

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Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit herewith my first annual report as Supervisor of Music.

Music may not help every child to earn a living in later life, but music will prepare every child to live. It is, therefore, the mission of public school music to endeavor to teach boys and girls to sing with enjoyment, and to listen with understanding.

The aims of public school music are:

1. To give every child the use of his singing voice and pleasure in song as a means of expression.
2. To give the child a repertory of songs which may be carried into the home and social life.
3. To help each child develop power in music reading according to his ability.
4. To give each child talented in music performance every possible opportunity for cultivation.
5. To help the child to develop a love for the beautiful in music and a taste in choosing music for himself.
6. To give the child an opportunity to hear the best-known compositions of standard composers.

Every two weeks, in the grade schools, each room is visited for forty-five minutes. On all other days, the work is carried on by the grade teacher.

In the first grade the work consists of rote-songs, i. e., songs sung by the teacher and imitated by the children; singing with neutral syllables, recognition of phrases, application of syllables and individual work with less musical children. The same work is carried on throughout the first four grades with music reading and more technical work.

The work in the fifth and sixth grades consists of the Theory of Music and two-part singing.

The seventh and eighth grades are visited for forty-five minutes each week, but, unfortunately, the work is not carried on throughout the week. Here, the work consists of part-singing, the Theory of Music and music appreciation.



Modern methods of teaching music to school children stress the necessity for bringing music to the child in such a manner that the acquisition of an adequate knowledge of the basic fundamentals of music becomes a pleasing part of the school curriculum rather than a discouraging and too-technical subject that must be endured rather than enjoyed. It is imperative, therefore, that the teacher be amply supplied with artistic, practical material, through which the child will be led to make his vital contacts with music.

School music today is more than a restricted study of song material through the sight-reading approach. Song material must still remain the core of the elementary music course, but the need for a broader presentation has emerged from the demands of the time. The school exists for the child, and the child today needs a broad view of music to help him make the proper life adjustments.

The lack of suitable material is discouraging and strongly felt, but time will bring a keener realization of this need.

In January, a rhythm band, composed of the first three grades from the West School, gave a demonstration at the Grange Hall. This is the only grade school in Wilmington to have an organized rhythm band with the proper equipment.

In the High School, the Girls' Glee Club meets for a one-hour rehearsal one day each week, and the High School Orchestra has the same time allotment. It is to be regretted that more time cannot be given to these organizations, and especially to the Boys' Glee Club, which can meet but once each week, during the noon recess, for a period of twenty minutes. I have found an enthusiastic interest among the students in the Glee Clubs, and I have tried to encourage any latent talent that I have found.

I wish to thank Mr. Bean, the principals, teachers and pupils for the genuine interest and co-operation that has been given me in my work, and feel that a good ground-work has been laid for the development of school music work in Wilmington.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN J. CAZNEAU.

## REPORT OF THE CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the autumn of 1931, the Carter Lecture Committee provided two public lectures:

On November 27, 1931, Miss Helen Simpson gave a successful reading.

On December 18, 1931, Rev. Lawrence Breed Walker of Roxbury delivered a lecture on "Ghosts of Yesterday" to a fair-sized audience. On this occasion music was furnished by the Glee Club of the Wilmington Women's Club and was much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD F. FRAZEE,  
ARTHUR F. BLAKE,  
MILDRED E. NEILSON,  
HARRY W. DELORIEA,  
JOHN W. HATHAWAY.



# TREASURER'S REPORT

## SARAH D. J. CARTER

### LECTURE COMMITTEE

January 1, 1932.

#### Receipts

1931	
Jan. 1, Balance on hand .....	\$288.46
June 6, Interest .....	3.11
Dec. 5, Interest .....	4.30
	<hr/> \$295.87

#### Expenditures

1931	
Jan. 8, Wilmington News .....	\$5.00
Jan. 8, Grange Hall Corp. ....	20.00
Jan. 8, Royal Lyceum Bureau .....	75.00
Nov. 27, Bertha Wells, Mgr., Williams Bureau .....	51.12
Nov. 27, Wilmington News .....	10.00
Dec. 18, Wilmington News .....	10.00
Dec. 18, Bertha Wells, Mgr., Williams Bureau .....	51.12
Dec. 26, Grange Hall Corp. ....	20.00
	<hr/> \$242.24
	242.24
Dec. 31, Balance Mechanics Savings Bank .....	<hr/> \$53.63

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE,

ARTHUR F. BLAKE, Treasurer.

## REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

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The Water Commissioners are pleased to submit to the Citizens their annual report for the year 1931.

At the Town Meeting in March 1931 the Town voted to extend the water mains on Glen Road and Woburn Street (north) near Park Street and on Woburn Street (south) at Perry's Corner. In accordance with the vote these extensions were made accordingly.

In making our budget for the year 1931 we budgeted for fifty new connections; we are pleased to state that we added sixty-four connections during the past year, which added, of course, somewhat to our cost. Due to the co-operation of the Welfare Department, we have been able to clear the brush off the standpipe hill, which not only improves the appearance but also decreases a fire hazard. We wish to express our appreciation for the assistance that has been given us.

We are pleased to state that we find that our revenue enables us to close the year with an unexpended balance and we recommend the transfer of \$2600, which according to law can be applied to interest charges for the year 1932.

The following schedule sets forth the various details established by the Department at the close of 1931.

### Schedule A

#### Water

Year	Gal. Pumped	Av. Per Day
1929.....	20,012,700	54,829
1930.....	26,556,200	72,456
1931.....	26,384,300	72,285

#### Fuel Oil

Year	Total Gal.	Cost	Gal. Per Mil.	Cost Per Mil.
1929.....	1606.	\$90.77	80.2	\$4.54
1930.....	2137.	120.73	80.4	4.54
1931.....	2028.8	109.52	77.7	4.16

#### Lubricating Oil

Year	Gal. Used	Cost	Gal. Per Mil.	Cost Per Mil.
1929.....	83.25	\$54.11	4.1	\$2.70
1930.....	90.00	61.55	3.4	2.32
1931.....	62.25	46.69	2.36	1.77

**Oil Used in Heater**

Year	Gal.	Cost
1929.....	3809.	\$215.23
1930.....	4204.	237.54
1931.....	5081.9	279.20

**Schedule B****Receipts:**

Water Revenue .....	\$8,402.90
Shut offs .....	128.00
Demands .....	6.25
Miscellaneous .....	399.21
Services (1929) .....	5.03
Services (1930) .....	53.46
Services (1931) .....	1,893.94
Labor, Tree Warden (Town of Reading) .....	48.00
Truck Hire, Tree Warden (Town of Reading) ...	104.00
Interest .....	8.36
Hydrant Rental (Town of Tewksbury) .....	120.00
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	\$11,169.15
Hydrant Rental (Town of Wilmington) .....	4,800.00
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	\$15,969.15

**Schedule C****Appropriation:**

Balance 1930 .....	\$703.17
Receipts .....	15,969.15
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	\$16,672.32

**Schedule D****Expenditures:**

Pay Roll .....	\$7,694.50
Pumping Station .....	860.21
Trucks and Autos .....	1,091.54
Services .....	1,867.65
Office .....	360.56
R. R. Rent .....	24.00
Tools .....	664.64
Insurance .....	355.07
Miscellaneous .....	193.87
Grading .....	69.65

**Maintenance:**

Hydrants .....	16.24
Equipment .....	399.38
Station .....	172.89
Well Field .....	5.13
Trucks and Autos .....	156.58
Street Mains .....	69.54

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**\$14,001.45**

Balance to 1932 .....	2,670.87	
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Total Expenditures .....		\$16,672.32
Cost 64 Services Town .....	\$891.21	\$14,001.45
6 Meters .....	138.00	1,029.21
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Total Operating Cost .....		\$12,972.24
Cash Discounts .....		\$51.03

### Schedule E

#### Accounts Receivable:

##### Service Accounts:

Balance due 1929 .....	\$5.03
Received .....	5.03
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Balance due 1930 .....	\$73.46
Received .....	53.46
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Balance due .....	\$20.00
Balance due 1931 .....	39.97
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\$59.97

#### Water Rates Account:

Balance due 1931 Account .....	309.94
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\$369.91

### Schedule F

#### Glen Road (1931) Extension Account

Appropriation .....		\$1,500.00
Expenditures:		
Pay Roll .....	\$1,257.05	
Tools .....	57.30	
Truck Hire .....	72.50	
Damage .....	1.50	
Oil .....	5.50	
Highway Department .....	100.00	
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Total .....		1,493.85
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Balance .....		\$6.15

### Schedule G

#### Woburn Street North (1931) Construction

Appropriation .....		\$4,000.00
Expenditures:		
Pay Roll .....	\$1,408.65	
Valves and Fittings .....	254.02	
Joint Material .....	83.00	

Cast Iron Pipe .....	1,836.41	
Tools and Repairs .....	98.29	
Gas .....	52.00	
Truck Hire .....	75.00	
Compressor .....	89.60	
Highway Department .....	100.00	
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Total .....		3,996.97
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Balance .....		3.03

### Schedule H

#### Woburn Street South (1931) Construction

Appropriation .....		\$4,000.00
Expenditures:		
Pay Roll .....	\$2,091.00	
Joint Material .....	132.52	
Special Castings .....	144.75	
C. I. Pipe .....	928.62	
Valves .....	113.60	
Gas .....	52.00	
Compressor .....	137.60	
Highway Department .....	100.00	
Damage .....	1.75	
Dynamite .....	84.77	
Repairs and Tools .....	74.09	
Truck Hire .....	90.00	
Cold Patch .....	33.75	
Oil .....	5.00	
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Total .....		3,989.45
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Balance .....		\$10.55

### Schedule I

#### Total Construction Cost

Cost of Water System December 31, 1930 .....		\$366,154.83
64 Services .....	\$891.21	
6 Meters .....	138.00	
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		1,029.21
Glen Road (1931) Extension .....		1,493.85
Woburn Street (1931) Extension North .....		3,996.97
Woburn Street (1931) Extension South .....		3,989.45
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Total Cost December 31, 1931 .....		\$376,664.31

Respectfully submitted,

CALEB S. HARRIMAN,  
LOUIS T. McMAHON,  
ALDEN N. EAMES.

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF WILDWOOD CEMETERY

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The work during the past year has been confined to the care and upkeep of the Cemetery. Work is gradually being done on the development of the new section which it will be necessary to open before very long.

We wish to acknowledge the assistance that has been given us this past season by the Welfare Department. This assistance has enabled us to do quite a bit of cleaning up in the Cemetery.

Due to the exceptionally light soil in our Cemetery, it is almost impossible to keep the Cemetery looking as it should without the installation of water. Several people have been desirous of improving their lots, and in some instances people are willing to contribute to the general development of the Cemetery, but, such efforts have been practically useless. Only by strenuous effort on the part of the Superintendent, in carrying water in trucks, has it been possible to keep some of the shrubs alive.

We have introduced an article in the Town Warrant asking that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for installing Town water in the Cemetery. This amount is to be taken from the reserve fund established from the sale of lots and will not mean an addition to the amount to be raised by taxes. We regret to have to state that the Cemetery has been subjected to acts of vandalism which are deplorable. Stone posts at the Middlesex Avenue entrance of the Cemetery have been pushed over several times. Fortunately they have not been broken as yet, but unless this is stopped the stone will be broken or chipped, and it seems rather too bad that people have to resort to this sort of amusement, utterly forgetting the respect due the Dead.

The Financial Report will be found in the Town Accountant's report.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS T. McMAHON, Chairman,  
GUY E. NICHOLS,  
WALLACE E. BARROWS.



## REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT AND TREE WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Herewith I hand you my report as Moth Superintendent and Tree Warden.

The spraying of trees and creosoting of egg masses have been done as usual along the Town highways. No private work has been performed as no appropriation was made for that purpose.

In the Tree Warden's Department we have trimmed and repaired such trees as needed attention.

Details of expenditures will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER A. McGRANE,

Moth Superintendent and Tree Warden.

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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February 9, 1932.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit to you the following report as Inspector of Animals for the year 1931.

Number of dog bites reported .....	21
Number of dogs showing physical signs of rabies ....	0
Number of dogs submitted to laboratory examination..	3

Laboratory report:

Positive .....	0
Negative .....	2
Suspicious .....	1

During the early part of the summer the State received a rabies scare resulting in the State issuing a restraining order of 90 days on all dogs as a precautionary measure, later a second order giving all dog owners their choice of having their dogs innoculated with a prophylactic dose of rabies vaccine or to restrain for the 90 days. I might say that no rabies was found in Wilmington and very little in the neighboring towns and cities.

The inspection of domestic animals showed:

Number of placing keeping cows .....	56
Number of cows .....	290
Number of herds under State and Federal supervision	7

The Division of Animal Industry of this State have varied their policy of testing by testing townships as a whole instead of herds at random which will aid the progress of tuberculosis-eradication work in Massachusetts. For a township to be tested a petition is filed with the Director of the Division of Animal Industry containing the names of 75% of the cattle owners or 85% of cattle owned within the limits of the town or city and I am very much pleased to say that Wilmington has showed sufficient interest to have filed the petition and are now marking time until their turn comes for the test.

Respectfully,

W. E. MERRILL, V. M. D.,

Inspector.



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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February 1, 1932.

To the Citizens of the Town of Wilmington:

During the past year this Department has been charged with the tremendous responsibility of relieving the distress caused by the depressed economic condition. Therefore, with the large increase in the number of people finding it necessary to call for public relief and because of the assistance applied for under the Old Age Assistance Law, it must follow that the expenditures of this Department would show only a slight increase.

The administration of assistance by a Board of Public Welfare is a difficult task under favorable circumstances. Because of the large increase in the number of applicants during the past year, some who were not justly entitled to assistance may for a short time have been aided, but we feel that while some mistakes may have been made and some persons not satisfied with the action taken by the Board in some instances, on the whole the difficult task assigned to us has been handled as well as physical limitations would permit.

We have proceeded on the principle of allowing no worthy, needy case coming to our attention to suffer, and at the same time in the interest of the taxpayers, we have endeavored to keep expenditures for relief at a minimum.

This report is made in more detail than in previous years as the members of the Board feel that such information will enable the Citizens of the Town to better understand the operations of this Department.

The Board immediately after its election organized with a chairman, secretary and a visitor. In addition to various minor matters of procedure it was decided by the Board that its principal activities should be taken care of by the entire Board, thereby avoiding the possibility of any one member being placed in a position to assume entire responsibility for some action.

It was also decided that the Board would meet one night each week, at which time the official business of the Board would be transacted, applicants for aid received and requests for assistance acted upon.

Through the kindness of the Board of Selectmen the Board of Public Welfare was given permission to use the Selectmen's room, and our meetings are held at the Town Hall each Wednesday evening.

The advice of the Town Counsel was sought as to the legal right of the Town through its Board of Public Welfare to require able bodied applicants for aid to work for the Town in return for assistance rendered; and on receipt of advice that under the General Laws of the Commonwealth this Board could require work in return for assistance, a policy was adopted whereby all able bodied men of families being aided by the Town should work for aid rendered. This policy was begun June 29, and during the year 1931, 305 man days of work were received by the Town in return for assistance granted. The work was distributed among the Highway, Park, Cemetery and Water Departments. We feel that the Town benefits by such an arrangement and that the men doing the work also benefit by being kept in a better physical and mental condition. In addition to the Town's receiving the benefit of the work, the Board of Public Welfare is receiving many cords of wood which, as it becomes suitable for burning, are given to applicants for fuel.

A form of order was selected and is issued to cover any purchases made by the Board.

A permanent file record system has been started and hereafter the history of each applicant will be kept on file, each case being cross-indexed by name and number. A copy of all correspondence, a copy of notice to the Town Accountant, and a copy of the notice to the place of settlement, together with the registered mail receipt where a notice is sent, are all kept in the file of each case.

Each new applicant for aid is given temporary assistance if warranted, and the case is immediately investigated before further assistance is granted. Every possible effort is made to place the applicant on a self-supporting basis and relatives of the applicant are solicited to assist in rendering aid. We have been successful in several instances in having relatives assist the less fortunate members of their families. In other instances because of the destitute circumstances of the children of some of our applicants the former are unable to provide for their parents, but in the event that the children's circumstances change for the better the Board will endeavor to compel relatives legally liable to recognize their obligations for support.

Cases that were being aided at the time this Board took over its work were carefully investigated, their history files indexed in the same manner as a new applicant and status of settlement determined.

The settlement of several old cases that had been incorrectly assumed by the Town of Wilmington have been rectified, resulting in a considerable saving of money to the Town of Wilmington. In one case in order to save the Town \$365 per year it was necessary to remove an inmate from the State Hospital at Tewksbury for twenty-four hours in order to correct a settlement status that had been wrongfully accepted as a Wilmington settlement.

The facts of one case that is being boarded at the town farm of Wakefield will be referred to the Town Counsel to determine

whether the Town of Wilmington must continue to pay charges indefinitely for an inmate at the aforementioned town farm. The possibility of the Town's being relieved of this expense is doubtful. This case has cost the Town of Wilmington close to \$20,000 during the life of the inmate and it seems unequitable that the Town must assume this expense indefinitely.

### Mothers' Aid

At the present time the Town has two Mothers' Aid cases. These cases are partially supervised by the State Department of Public Welfare visitors. One additional application is under consideration at this time.

### Old Age Assistance

The Old Age Assistance Law went into effect July 1, 1931. The law is misunderstood by many. It does not provide for a pension. It gives public assistance to those deserving citizens seventy years of age and over in need of relief and support.

Since July we have received 17 applications; up to January 1, 1932, 4 applications have been accepted and assistance given, 5 applications rejected for various reasons such as sufficient resources, children able to support, etc. 8 applications are being investigated further.

We estimate that our expenditures during 1932 will be approximately the same as those during 1931. The principal reason for such possible expenditure is due to the amount required for our Old Age Assistance expenditures that will have to be made this year.

During 1931 we rendered temporary aid to 76 families, caring for 328 persons, 127 adults and 201 children. Of the 76 families aided 47 had Wilmington settlement, 18 had settlements in other cities or towns, and 11 had no settlement and constituted State cases. The expenses of the Town for the 29 cases not having a Wilmington settlement will amount to approximately \$4,000. The Town will be reimbursed for this expenditure.

Four Old Age Assistance cases were aided during 1931 and all four had Wilmington settlements. The State will reimburse the Town for its expenditure for this assistance amounting to approximately \$260.

Two Mothers' Aid cases aided each had Wilmington settlements and the Town will receive approximately \$440 from the State as its share of the cost of this aid.

A complete and further detail of the expenditures of this Board will be found in the Town Accountant's statement elsewhere in this Town Report.

In addition to the time given by the members of the Board to its necessary duties and the attendance at our Wednesday night meetings, over 200 visits have been made to applicants' homes and mileage of our automobiles used in connection with our visits and

other duties has amounted to over 1,400 miles. Considerable clerical work is also necessary in order to properly handle the detail incident to the work and it is impossible to estimate the amount of time required for this important part of the Board's duties.

We appreciate the support given us by the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee and are thankful for the splendid spirit of co-operation shown us by the Highway, Water, Cemetery, Park and Police Departments and by the many persons who so kindly contributed food, money and clothing, and by those persons who contributed and assisted us in the preparation and distribution of baskets on Thanksgiving eve. We also appreciate the good work and assistance given by the Wilmington Branch of the American Legion and Auxiliary in the preparation and distribution of baskets at Christmas time.

CHARLES H. BLACK,  
GARDNER I. RITCHIE,  
WINIFRED N. NORTON,

Board of Public Welfare.

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herein submit my report as Inspector of Slaughtering in the Town of Wilmington for the year 1931.

Whole number of animals inspected in the town from January 1, 1931, to January 1, 1932, 19; condemned, 1.

Respectfully,

ARTHUR W. SPRAGUE.

## COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT

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### Account of 1929 Tax

Uncollected January 1931 .....		\$523.89
Taxes Collected .....	\$509.89	
Taxes Abated .....	14.00	523.89
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Interest Collected .....	\$38.90	

### Account of 1930 Tax

Uncollected January 1931 .....		\$90,068.55
Taxes Collected .....	\$83,415.38	
Taxes Abated .....	1,017.60	84,432.98
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Uncollected January 1, 1932 .....		\$5,635.57
Interest Collected .....	\$3,899.21	

### Account of 1931 Tax

Commitment .....		\$180,822.33
Additional .....		24.24
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Taxes Collected .....	\$78,877.02	
Taxes Abated .....	274.39	79,151.41
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Uncollected January 1, 1932 .....		101,695.16
Interest Collected .....	\$117.48	

### Account of 1931 Old Age Assistance Tax

Commitment .....	\$1,184.00	
Additional .....	8.00	\$1,192.00
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Taxes Collected .....	\$696.00	
Refund from State .....	32.00	728.00
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Uncollected January 1, 1932 .....		\$464.00

### Account of 1929 Excise Tax

Uncollected January 1931 .....		\$1,912.04
Collected .....		340.15
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Uncollected January 1, 1932 .....		\$1,571.89
Interest Collected .....	\$38.07	



**Account of 1930 Excise Tax**

Uncollected January 1931 .....		\$4,689.51
Collected .....	\$2,226.52	
Taxes Abated .....	16.17	2,242.69
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Uncollected January 1, 1932 .....		\$2,446.82
Interest Collected .....	\$77.99	

**Account of 1931 Excise Tax**

Commitment .....		\$8,549.06
Taxes Collected .....	\$3,921.78	
Taxes Abated .....	173.78	4,095.56
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Uncollected January 1, 1932 .....		\$4,453.50
Interest Collected .....	\$22.29	

GEORGE W. BUCK,

Collector, Town of Wilmington.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

To me, nineteen hundred and thirty-one has been an opportunity and a pleasure to do what our judgment believed best for our people. I wish to thank all for their co-operation. Our Highway Department took a cut in the general highway account this year of \$3,000.00, but was augmented by a carry-over from the previous year in the form of a special allotment under Chapter 90, spent on Burlington Avenue construction. We used, along with our regular men, two groups of laborers in two shifts for several weeks giving the work to those whom our Honorable Board of Selectmen considered most needy.

To keep our repairs account down, we were obliged to buy some second-hand parts for our G. M. C. trucks. Our equipment today is all in usable condition. We have, as you will note in our Town Accountant's Report, used more gravel and road oil than usual. In the oiling season three trucks saved to an appreciated amount, piling sand along the road and puts us ahead when graveling six or seven loads a day.

For your information, I will quote approximate costs on equipment, each unit separately, for gasoline, oil and repairs, for the year 1931 and the average day cost of each unit.

	Year	Day		Year	Day
G. M. C. Truck No. 1..	\$1,331.56	\$5.31	Tractor ...	\$283.34	\$4.05
G. M. C. Truck No. 2..	1,357.46	5.75	Loader ....	696.47	3.20
Chevrolet No. 3.....	406.13	1.63	Roller ....	225.82	3.97
Reo No. 4.....	688.95	2.74	Mixer .....	84.67	.84
Ford No. 5.....	246.73				

Extensive graveling has been done on Cottage, Forest, Ballardvale and Nichols Streets. New storm drainage this year and rebuilding, labor and material, \$667.36. This year we built a road hone with which we will be able to smooth out our oil roads and to reinforce and build up the shoulders. The surplus mix is used on shoulders. I am sure this hone will improve the riding qualities of our roads and add some to cost of maintenance, but it will be worth it.

I wish to express my appreciation as Superintendent of Streets for work done by the Welfare Board in clearing our roadsides of brush.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL ROBERT CARTER,

Superintendent of Streets.



## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Planning Board regrets that it has not some tangible statement to make as to the extent of its accomplishments in the past twelve months. Recent appeals have been made to us to exert some effort to control the operations of land companies selling real estate in the community.

These companies offer such small lots that adjacent owners feel concern about the type of dwelling that is likely to be built next them. A resident in a comfortable and attractive home naturally wishes to see his neighbor erect a house worthy, at least of fair comparison with his own, rather than some structure that barely conforms to the building laws. In the absence of Zoning By-Laws, we are unable to act. Let us call to your attention the following quotation from "The Value of Zoning," an excerpt from Public Document No. 103, Department of Public Welfare of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

"Ask real estate men operating in Metropolitan Boston, as to the best place to live. They will mention no unzoned place. The reason is that all wise real estate men know that the only thing that will make a desirable residential area is some sort of protection, such as is found in private restrictions and zoning. Unfortunately some zoned places will not be mentioned, because they waited too long. Some very fine places will not be mentioned because they are without protection. Zoning has never been considered or has been defeated by some selfish interest seeking to mine the town just as we mined our forests. After that is done, there is little hope. It takes many years to overcome such conditions."

This is our problem. We are being "mined." It is our purpose to try and offer a solution. To do so the Board feels that they need assistance, and therefore we have submitted an article requesting your honorable board to insert the same in the Town Warrant, to be acted upon in the coming Town Meeting. This article calls on the citizens assembled to instruct their Moderator to appoint a committee of five to work with the Planning Board to aid them in offering to our citizenry a By-Law that will, we hope, meet with its approval.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. NEWCOMB, Chairman,  
M. J. CURL,  
GARDNER I. RITCHIE,  
Planning Board.

# REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS 1931

	No.	Amount	Accumulated Interest	Withdrawn	Balance on Deposit
S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund	1879	\$2,578.50	\$150.43		\$2,728.93
Blackstone	No. 56672	2,000.00	195.69		2,195.69
Woburn	No. 11437	2,000.00	175.35		2,175.35
Mechanics					
Sears Cook Walker, Walker School Fund		\$6,578.50	\$521.47		\$7,099.97
Library Funds:					
Chester W. Clark	No. 12819	\$257.00			\$257.00
Mechanics	No. 9497	500.00	\$25.45		525.45
Blackstone	No. 8512	200.00	53.62		253.62
Andover	No. 18341	500.00	25.16		525.16
Benjamin Buck	No. 4215	500.00	152.06		652.06
Charlotte C. Smith	No. 18349	200.00	92.94	\$8.00	284.94
Mechanics					
Andover					
Sabra Carter, Common Fund					
Cemetery Funds:					
Isaac Cazneau	No. 18985	100.00	63.23	6.00	157.23
Andover	No. 18345	75.00	33.28		108.28
Susan Carlton	No. 22450	200.00	38.38	11.00	227.38
George W. and Minnie A. Sidelink	No. 18347	200.00	92.78	6.00	286.78
Sabra Carter (Jacques Lot)	No. 24631	100.00	32.30	4.00	128.30
Andover	No. 18342	100.00	19.87	6.00	113.87
Dolly Harnden	No. 18346	100.00	29.22	4.00	125.22
Thomas P. Eames	No. 18348	100.00	65.56	3.00	162.56
Sabra Carter	No. 22451	100.00	25.16	2.00	123.16
Rich Carter	No. 18343	200.00	64.73	10.00	254.73
James Frazer	No. 18344	100.00	17.43		117.43
Martha Temple	No. 22579	200.00	143.15	6.00	337.15
S. D. J. Carter	No. 4214	50.00	8.31	2.00	56.31
Andover	No. 4248	200.00	69.75	6.00	263.75
Charlotte C. Smith	No. 33384	100.00	42.67	3.00	139.67
Mechanics					
Charles F. Hopkins					
Blackstone					
Abner C. Childs					
Woburn					

Gilman C. Harnden	Woburn	No. 32614	100.00	13.87	7.00	106.87
Laura Parker	Woburn	No. 32615	50.00	10.26	2.00	58.26
Sarah G. Sheldon	Woburn	No. 33814	200.00	87.32	6.00	281.32
Rufus C. Eames	Blackstone	No. 4642	100.00	9.96	6.00	103.96
John Sheldon Sargent	Blackstone	No. 4859	100.00	12.69	6.00	106.69
Isabelle Holt	Blackstone	No. 5169	75.00	9.94	3.00	81.94
Henry Blanchard	Blackstone	No. 5604	50.00	6.66	3.00	53.66
Nathan B. Eames	Mechanics	No. 6899	100.00	14.10	4.00	110.10
Thomas Day	Andover	No. 31514	100.00	23.22	5.00	118.22
Leronzo Meads	Mechanics	No. 7176	100.00	10.67	6.00	104.67
Almira J. Carley	Andover	No. 32237	100.00	37.84		137.84
George E. Swain	Blackstone	No. 7304	100.00	7.63	5.00	102.63
Josiah Monroe (Care Elbridge Carter and Walter H. Blanchard Lots)	Mechanics	No. 7559	100.00	14.74	4.00	110.74
Jacob H. Shedd	Blackstone	No. 7701	100.00	14.71	4.00	110.71
George T. Eames	Blackstone	No. 7746	200.00	18.62	6.00	212.62
Jonathan Eames, 2nd	Andover	No. 35188	100.00	19.34	4.00	115.34
Newman Parker, Jr.	Blackstone	No. 8259	100.00	9.66	6.00	103.66
Irwin E. Morse	Mechanics	No. 8531	100.00	13.78	4.00	109.78
Sylvester and Lois R. Carter	Mechanics	No. 8990	100.00	10.78	6.00	104.78
Capt. George W. McIntosh	Mechanics	No. 9662	200.00	36.43	7.00	229.43
Mary A. Gowing, Lot 410	Mechanics	No. 10283	100.00	12.63	3.00	109.63
S. Lizzie Carter, Lot 439	Mechanics	No. 10282	100.00	13.53	3.00	110.53
Julia M. Parker (Ward Parker Lot)	Mechanics	No. 10641	100.00	10.00	3.00	107.00
Manuel and Elizabeth Dexter	Mechanics	No. 10640	50.00	8.17	2.00	56.17
Jaques Gowing	Mechanics	No. 10639	100.00	8.92	3.00	105.92
Maude K. Tuttle, Lot 60, B	Mechanics	No. 10693	100.00	16.00		116.00
Benjamin T. Glover, Lot 146	Mechanics	No. 10953	100.00	12.03	3.00	109.03
John W. Perry, Sec. D, Lot 222	Mechanics	No. 10967	100.00	12.03	3.00	109.03
Mary E. Kelley, Sec. E, Lot 322	Mechanics	No. 10968	100.00	10.99	4.00	106.99
Caleb S. Harriman, Lot 53	Mechanics	No. 11642	100.00	8.75		108.75
John N. Eames, Lot 137	Mechanics	No. 11643	100.00	8.75		108.75

Lemuel C. Eames .....	No. 12493	100.00	3.77		103.77
Sarah H. Jackson, Lot 497 .....	No. 12494	100.00	3.77		103.77
Henry G. Gowing, Lot 20 .....	No. 12495	150.00	5.67	4.00	151.67
Susan A. Hamlin, Lot 646, A .....	No. 12820	100.00			100.00
William H. McCabe, Lot 334 .....	No. 12821	100.00			100.00
		<u>\$7,857.00</u>	<u>\$1,612.28</u>	<u>\$199.00</u>	<u>\$9,270.28</u>

CALEB S. HARRIMAN,  
EDWARD N. EAMES,  
PHILIP B. BUZZELL,

Trustees of Trust Funds.

## TOWN WARRANT

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To Albert D. Butters, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greeting:—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday the seventh day of March next at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 10:00 A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 P. M. for the election of Town Officers.

Article 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also act as Board of Survey; one Assessor for three years; Town Clerk; Treasurer; Collector of Taxes; Constable; three Fence Viewers; Board of Public Welfare, one member for a term of three years; two members of School Committee for three years; two trustees of the Public Library for three years; one trustee of Trust Funds for three years; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one member of Planning Board for three years; Tree Warden; Moderator.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, who are qualified to vote on elections and Town affairs, therein to assemble subsequently, and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Monday, the fourteenth day of March, A. D. 1932, at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 2. To choose all other Town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:

General Government  
 Protection of Life and Property  
 Health and Sanitation  
 Highways  
 Charities and Aid  
 Soldiers' Benefits  
 Interest  
 Public Library  
 Cemetery  
 Town Indebtedness  
 Unclassified  
 Reserve Fund  
 Education  
 Water Department  
 Care of Parks  
 Street Lights  
 Hydrant Rental  
 Public Health Work

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present financial year. The vote to be as follows:

Voted: That the Town Treasurer with the approval of Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1932, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for the Observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a Committee who shall arrange to have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Water Department to extend the water main on Glen Road and install



a hydrant near Lee Street and to raise and appropriate one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to defray cost thereof, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to extend the water main on Parker Street to corner Blackstone Street.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the purpose of installing town water in Wildwood Cemetery, this sum to be transferred from the Cemetery Reserve Account, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) to defray its share of the cost of reconstruction of the Aqueduct Bridge on Shawsheen Avenue, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) to be expended on reconstruction of Shawsheen Avenue under the direction of and with the aid of the State Department of Public Works and County Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand six hundred ninety-four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$8,694.75), its share of the cost of construction of the Middlesex County Sanatorium as decreed by the County Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) to cover incidental expenses of the Planning Board, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a Committee of five to assist the Planning Board in its duties as outlined in Chapter 41, Sections 70, 71 and 72 of the General Laws, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell or dispose of the East Schoolhouse lot and building thereon on the best terms obtainable, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Town Accountant to establish a new account under the title "Surplus Account" and beginning with the Annual Town Meeting to be held in March, 1933, and at each Annual Town Meeting thereafter, if such be recommended by the Finance Committee, an amount be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account to said "Surplus Account" by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at said Annual Town Meetings; said annual transfers to continue to be made until "Surplus Account" shall amount to two per cent. (2%) of the assessed valuation of the Town.

No withdrawals or payments shall be made from said "Surplus Account" unless an emergency shall be declared to exist and then only with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, and by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at an Annual or Special Town Meeting.

If and when said "Surplus Account" shall equal two per cent. (2%) of the assessed valuation and subsequently by reason of payments and withdrawals shall be reduced below said two per cent. (2%), additional transfers from Excess and Deficiency Account may be voted to maintain the principal amount of said "Surplus Account."

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Board of Health at its Annual Meeting in the year 1933, such Board to have all powers now possessed by the Board of Selectmen acting as a Board of Health, and to have such powers and duties as may be prescribed by Statute law, or act in any matter relating thereto.

Article 18. If the Town votes in the affirmative on the foregoing Article,

To see if the Town will vote to rescind any and all former votes inconsistent therewith, such vote to rescind to take effect



on the election and qualification of such Board of Health at the Annual Meeting in 1933, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 19. If the Town votes in the affirmative on the two foregoing Articles,

To see if the Town will vote to elect at its Annual Meeting in 1933, a Board of Health to consist of three members, one to be elected for three years; one for two years, and one for one year, and at each Annual Meeting thereafter to elect one member for a term of three years and have the ballot for such annual election prepared accordingly.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to pay annual salaries to the members of the Board of Public Welfare and fix the amount thereof, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to co-operate with the Massachusetts Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to approve the granting by the Selectmen of licenses for the holding of Moving Picture Entertainments in this Town on Sundays, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, immediately after making service thereof.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this eleventh day of February, A. D., one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

HAROLD E. MELZAR,  
WALTER G. BUCKLE,  
JOHN T. HOLMES,

Selectmen of Wilmington.

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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
**OF**  
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**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31**

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**ELECTED AND APPOINTED**

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**SELECTMEN AND BOARD OF SURVEY**

HAROLD E. MELZAR, Chairman

WALTER G. BUCKLE

JOHN T. HOLMES

**Board of Public Welfare**

GARDNER I. RITCHIE

Term expires 1933

CHARLES H. BLACK

Term expires 1934

MRS. WINIFRED N. NORTON

Term expires 1935

**Assessors**

GEORGE W. BUCK

Term expires 1933

J. HOWARD EAMES

Term expires 1934

FRANK L. EAMES

Term expires 1935

**Town Clerk**

RALPH R. CURRIER

**Treasurer**

FRANK L. EAMES

**Collector of Taxes**

GEORGE W. BUCK

**Town Accountant**

HARRY R. DEMING

Term expires 1934

**Constables**

ALBERT D. BUTTERS

HARRY J. AINSWORTH

**Police Department**

HARRY J. AINSWORTH, Chief

**Officers**

ALEXANDER BRABANT

DONALD W. FOSTER

HERBERT F. JOHNSON

FREDERICK A. FIELD

ELMER H. EATON

HARRY G. PEARSON

LEON F. CALL

GEORGE E. MACKEN

AUSTIN C. TAYLOR

GEORGE W. TRUMBULL

CHARLES D. REILLY

**Keeper of Lock-up**

HARRY J. AINSWORTH

**Registrars of Voters**

ALDICE G. EAMES

Term expires 1933

THOMAS J. MORLEY (Resigned)

JAMES J. GILLIGAN

Term expires 1934

HENRY A. McMAHON

Term expires 1935

RALPH R. CURRIER, Clerk of Board

**Fence Viewers**

JOHN T. HOLMES

HAROLD E. MELZAR

WALTER G. BUCKLE

**Field Driver**

CHARLES D. REILLY

**Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber**

ARTHUR W. EAMES  
WILFRED A. ANDREWS

HARRY R. DEMING  
EDWARD N. EAMES

**Measurers of Leather**

REGINALD J. FROTTON

LAWRENCE M. HARRIMAN

**Public Weighers of Merchandise**

FRED W. CARTER  
CLIFFORD GATES  
HARRY R. DEMING

WALTER L. HALE, JR.  
ALGOT L. OSTERMAN  
CLAYTON F. LYON

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

J. FRANK MUSE

**Janitor of Town Hall**

ERNEST W. EAMES

**Superintendent of Streets**

D. ROBERT CARTER

**Board of Health**

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

**Inspector of Animals**

WINSLOW E. MERRILL, Veterinary

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

ARTHUR W. SPRAGUE

**Chief of Fire Department**

EDWIN L. DAY

**Assistant Chief of Fire Department**

WINFRED W. RICE

**Captain Fire Department**

CHESTER T. HORTON

**Forest Fire Warden**

EDWIN L. DAY

**Deputy Forest Fire Wardens**

WINFRED W. RICE

CHESTER T. HORTON

ROBERT WOOD

**Water Commissioners**

CALEB S. HARRIMAN, Chairman

Term expires 1933

ALDEN N. EAMES

Term expires 1934

LOUIS T. McMAHON, Secretary

Term expires 1935

**Superintendent of Water Department**

DONALD W. FOSTER

**Cemetery Commissioners**

GUY E. NICHOLS

Term expires 1933

WALLACE E. BARROWS

Term expires 1934

LOUIS T. McMAHON

Term expires 1935

GEORGE F. NEWCOMB, Superintendent



**School Committee**

JOHN W. HATHAWAY, Chairman	Term expires 1933
HARRY W. DeLORIEA	Term expires 1933
ALFRED S. ALLEN	Term expires 1934
NORMAN W. PERRY	Term expires 1934
HELEN H. BUCK	Term expires 1935
OLIVIA H. NORCROSS	Term expires 1935

**Inspector of Buildings**

CHESTER T. HORTON

**Board of Appeal**

EDWARD M. NEILSON	CHARLES H. BLACK
LOUIS T. McMAHON	

**Undertakers**

EDWARD M. NICHOLS & SON	JOSEPH B. McMAHON
WILLIAM S. CAVANAUGH	

**Burial Agent**

GUY E. NICHOLS

**Trustees of Public Library**

HELEN H. BUCK	Term expires 1933
PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1933
EDWARD N. EAMES	Term expires 1934
PETER NEILSON	Term expires 1934
HOWARD E. BEDELL	Term expires 1935
LOUIS T. McMAHON	Term expires 1935

**Trustees of Trust Funds**

PHILIP B. BUZZELL	Term expires 1933
CALEB S. HARRIMAN	Term expires 1934
EDWARD N. EAMES	Term expires 1935

**Tree Warden**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Superintendent for Suppression of Moths**

OLIVER A. McGRANE

**Sabra D. J. Carter Lecture Fund Committee**

JOHN W. HATHAWAY	Term expires 1933
LOUIS T. DOUCETTE (To fill vacancy)	Term expires 1933
HARRY W. DeLORIEA	Term expires 1935
ARTHUR F. BLAKE	Term expires 1936
MILDRED E. NEILSON	Term expires 1937
GERALD F. FRAZEE (Resigned)	

**Planning Board**

GEORGE F. NEWCOMB	Term expires 1933
MERVIN J. CURL	Term expires 1934
EDWARD M. NEILSON	Term expires 1935

**Finance Committee**

JOSEPH M. GRIMES	Term expires 1933
ARTHUR G. KIDDER	Term expires 1933
JESSE K. WILLIS	Term expires 1933
THOMAS C. DALY	Term expires 1934
AUGUSTUS T. NORTON	Term expires 1934
CHARLES F. PERRY	Term expires 1934
HERBERT C. BARROWS	Term expires 1935
WALDO L. DEAN	Term expires 1935
OSCAR A. LUNDGREN	Term expires 1935

**Ballot Clerks and Tellers**

MICHAEL H. BARRY

EDGAR SHAW

ROSE T. CAVANAUGH

ARTHUR HAMILTON

HAROLD SWAIN

HERBERT F. JOHNSON

ELEANOR M. LIVINGSTON

FRANK W. KIDDER

JOHN F. MUSE

JOHN E. DENEHEY

**Town Counsel**

PHILIP B. BUZZELL

**Moderator**

EDWARD N. EAMES

# JURY LIST, TOWN OF WILMINGTON

Revised July 25, 1932

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Name	Occupation	Address
Howard E. Bedell	Insurance Agent	Burlington Avenue
Charles H. Black	Insurance Manager	Church Street
George W. Buck	Town Official	Church Street
David R. Butterworth	Rigger	Cottage Street
Leon F. Call	Chemist	Floradale Avenue
Howard L. Cates	Engineer	Marion Street
Carl F. Connor	Inspector	Middlesex Avenue
Eugene L. Coombs	Merchant	Middlesex Avenue
Ernest R. Currier	Expressman	Shawsheen Avenue
Ralph R. Currier	Groceries & Prov.	Chestnut Street
Thomas C. Daly	Farmer	Andover Street
Owen Devine	Janitor	Mystic Street
Carroll D. A. Gray	Statistician	Lake Street
John A. FitzGerald	Taxicab	Church Street
Laurence M. Foley	Cotton Dealer	West Street
Frank J. Hadley	Bank Teller	Boutwell Street
William S. Hale	Railroad Engineman	Boutwell Street
Nelson H. Huntley	Caterer	Burlington Avenue
Joel P. Ireland	Provision Dealer	Washington Avenue
Charles A. Livingston	Meat Cutter	Burlington Avenue
Frederick J. MacQuaide	Salesman	Salem Street
Oliver A. McGrane	Superintendent	Church Street
George G. McKittrick	Leather Worker	Eames Street
Thomas J. Morley	Clerk	Ballardvale Street
John F. Muse	Carpenter	Cottage Street
Jerome J. O'Leary	Pensioner	Swain Road
Frank G. Patch	Farmer	Burlington Avenue
Norman W. Perry	Chemist	Church Street
Gardner I. Ritchie	Clerk	Columbia Street
Harold E. Smith	Garage Proprietor	Woburn Street
Archie S. Thurston	Clerk	Forest Street
Paul E. Todd	Telephone Engineer	Chestnut Street
Earl D. Whitney	Clerk	Woburn Street
Arthur S. Williams	Laborer	Andover Street
Fred U. Wyman	Clerk	Church Street

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Records of Warrants and Proceedings of Town Meetings Summary of Births, Marriages and Deaths with a Statement of Money Paid to the County Treasurer on Account of Dog Licences; and money paid the Town Treasurer on account of Dog Licenses, also statement of money paid Division of Fisheries and Game, and of Town Licenses recorded and money paid Town Treasurer.



## TOWN WARRANT

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To Albert D. Butters, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greeting:—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday the seventh day of March next at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 10:00 A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 P. M. for the election of Town Officers.

**Article 1.** To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also act as Board of Survey; one Assessor for three years; Town Clerk; Treasurer; Collector of Taxes; Constable; three Fence Viewers; Board of Public Welfare, one member for a term of three years; two members of School Committee for three years; two trustees of the Public Library for three years; one trustee of Trust Funds for three years; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for five years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one member of Planning Board for three years; Tree Warden; Moderator.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, who are qualified to vote on elections and Town affairs, therein to assemble subsequently, and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Monday, the fourteenth day of March, A. D. 1932, at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following Articles:

**Article 2.** To choose all other Town officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 3.** To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.



**Article 4.** To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:

Protection of Life and Property	Town Indebtedness
General Government	Unclassified
Health and Sanitation	Reserve Fund
Highways	Education
Charities and Aid	Water Department
Soldiers' Benefits	Care of Parks
Interest	Street Lights
Public Library	Hydrant rental
Cemetery	Public Health Work

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present financial year.  
The vote to be as follows:

Voted: That the Town Treasurer with the approval of Selectmen, be and he hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1932, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars for the Observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a Committee who shall arrange to have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Water Department to extend the water main on Glen Road and install a hydrant near Lee Street and to raise and appropriate One Thousand Dollars to defray cost thereof, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars to extend the water main on Parker Street to corner Blackstone Street.

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars for the purpose of installing town water in Wildwood Cemetery, this sum to be transferred from the Cemetery Reserve Account, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars to defray its share of the cost of reconstruction of the Aqueduct Bridge on Shawsheen Avenue, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars to be expended on reconstruction of Shawsheen Avenue under the direction of and with the aid of the State Department of Public Works and County Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,694.75, its share of the cost of construction of the Middlesex County Sanatorium as decreed by the County Commissioners, or

**Article 13.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-five Dollars to cover incidental expenses of the Planning Board, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a Committee of five to assist the Planning Board in its duties as outlined in Chapter 41, Sections 70, 71 and 72 of the General Laws, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell or dispose of the East Schoolhouse lot and building thereon on the best terms obtainable, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Town Accountant to establish a new account under the title SURPLUS ACCOUNT and beginning with the Annual Town Meeting to be held in March, 1933, and at each Annual Town Meeting thereafter, if such

be recommended by the Finance Committee, an amount be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account to said SURPLUS ACCOUNT by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at said Annual Town Meetings; said annual transfers to continue to be made until SURPLUS ACCOUNT shall amount to two per cent of the assessed valuation of the Town.

No withdrawals or payments shall be made from said SURPLUS ACCOUNT unless an emergency shall be declared to exist and then only with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, and by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting at an Annual or Special Town Meeting.

If and when said SURPLUS ACCOUNT shall equal two per cent of the assessed valuation and subsequently by reason of payments and withdrawals shall be reduced below said two per cent., additional transfers from Excess and Deficiency Account may be voted to maintain the principal amount of said SURPLUS ACCOUNT.

**Article 17.** To see if the Town will vote to elect a Board of Health at its Annual Meeting in the year 1933, such Board to have all powers now possessed by the Board of Selectmen acting as a Board of Health, and to have such powers and duties as may be prescribed by Statute law, or act in any matter relating thereto.

**Article 18.** If the Town votes in the affirmative on the foregoing Article,

To see if the Town will vote to rescind any and all former votes inconsistent therewith, such vote to rescind to take effect on the election and qualification of such Board of Health at the Annual Meeting in 1933, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 19.** If the Town votes in the affirmative on the two foregoing Articles,

To see if the Town will vote to elect at its Annual Meeting in 1933, a Board of Health to consist of three members, one to be elected for three years; one for two years, and one for one year, and at each Annual Meeting thereafter to elect one member for a term of three

years and have the ballot for such annual election prepared accordingly.

**Article 20.** To see if the Town will vote to pay annual salaries to the members of the Board of Public Welfare and fix the amount thereof, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 21.** To see if the Town will vote to cooperate with the Massachusetts Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto.

**Article 22.** To see if the Town will vote to approve the granting by the Selectmen of licenses for the holding of Moving Picture Entertainments in this Town on Sundays, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, immediately after making service thereof.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this eleventh day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Two.

(Seal)

HAROLD E. MELZAR,  
WALTER G. BUCKLE,  
JOHN T. HOLMES,  
Selectmen of Wilmington.

Wilmington, February 26, 1932.

Middlesex SS.

This is to certify that I posted attested copies of the Warrant on February 26, 1932, in accordance with the By Laws of the Town of Wilmington:

ALBERT D. BUTTERS,  
Constable of Wilmington.

# TOWN MEETING

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## Records of Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting Held

March 7, 1932.

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant the voters assembled at the Town Hall on the above date. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, and the Warrant read by the Town Clerk as far as Article 2, when a motion was made by Mr. Butters to dispense with the reading of the remaining Articles. Motion was voted in the affirmative.

The Moderator then examined the ballot box, which was found empty, the register indicating 0000, the ballot box was locked and the key delivered to the Constable.

The Ballot Clerks and Tellers being duly sworn, the official ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks and receipts taken by the Town Clerk.

At ten o'clock A. M. the Moderator declared the Polls open.

At eight o'clock P. M. the Moderator declared the Polls closed. The names checked on the check list numbered eleven hundred seventy, the ballots counted from the ballot box numbered eleven hundred seventy, and the register indicated eleven hundred seventy.

The following is the vote for Town Officers as declared by the Moderator.

### Selectmen (to act as Board of Survey)

	Votes
Elected, Walter G. Buckle had five hundred seventy-nine.....	579
Elected, John T. Holmes had six hundred ninety-one.....	691
Elected, Harold E. Melzar had six hundred seventy-six.....	676
Frank W. Dayton had four hundred twenty-six.....	426

Carl S. Pettingill had four hundred eighty-one .....	481
Samuel P. Pike Jr. had two hundred eighty-seven.....	287
Ernest W. Eames had one.....	1
Blanks, three hundred sixty-nine.....	369

#### Board of Public Welfare (three years)

Elected, Winifred N. Norton had seven hundred six.....	706
Susan T. Esler had four hundred one.....	401
Blanks, sixty-three.....	63

#### Assessor (three years)

Elected, Frank L. Eames had five hundred eighty-three.....	583
Joseph Henry Cotton had five hundred fourteen.....	514
Henry Mularkey had one.....	1
Blanks, seventy-two.....	72

#### Town Clerk

Ralph R. Currier had ten hundred.....	1,000
Blanks, one hundred seventy.....	170

#### Treasurer

Frank L. Eames had nine hundred fifty-one.....	951
Blanks, two hundred nineteen.....	219

#### Collector of Taxes

George W. Buck had nine hundred fifty.....	950
Albert D. Butters had three.....	3
Harold E. Melzar had one.....	1
Blanks, two hundred sixteen.....	216

#### Constable

Elected, Albert D. Butters had three hundred fifty-three.....	353
Walter A. Hill had two hundred thirty-two.....	232
Herbert C. Barrows had two.....	2
H. C. Barrows had one.....	1
Elmer Eaton had one.....	1

Herbert Johnson had four.....	4
Alfred Butters had one.....	1
Norman Ferry had one.....	1
Gardner Ritchie had one.....	1
Blanks, five hundred seventy-four.....	574

#### School Committee (three years)

Elected, Helen H. Buck had five hundred forty-eight.....	543
Elected, Oliver H. Nencross had six hundred twenty-seven.....	627
Sarah H. Hunter had three hundred fifty-seven.....	357
Roseanna T. Manning had four hundred fifty-nine.....	459
Blanks, three hundred forty-nine.....	349

#### Fence Viewers

Elected, Walter G. Buckle had five hundred sixty-five.....	563
Elected, John T. Hohmes had six hundred fifty-seven.....	657
Elected, Harold E. Melzar had five hundred thirty-eight.....	633
Frank W. Dayton three hundred ninety-six.....	396
Carl S. Pettingill had four hundred fifty-six.....	456
Samuel P. Pike Jr., had two hundred seventy-eight.....	278
Ernest W. Eames had one.....	1
Blanks, five hundred twenty-one.....	521

#### Library Trustees (three years)

Elected, Howard E. Bedell had seven hundred twenty-one.....	721
Elected, Louis T. McMahon had seven hundred thirty-eight.....	738
Adrian A. Durkee had three hundred forty-eight.....	348
Ralph W. Henderson had one hundred seventy-three.....	173
Blanks, three hundred six.....	360

#### Trustee of Trust Funds (three years)

Elected, Edward N. Eames had seven hundred twenty-nine.....	729
Joseph P. Ring had three hundred five.....	305
Blanks, one hundred thirty-six.....	136



**Member of S. D. J. Carter League Committee (five years)**

Elected, Mildred E. Neilson had seven hundred fifty-two.....	752
Dora Grace McAndrew had two hundred forty-six.....	246
Blanks, one hundred seventy-two.....	172

**Tree Warden**

Oliver A. McGrane had nine hundred fifty-seven.....	957
Donald Foster had one.....	1
Jerry Gallagher had one.....	1
John Horton had one.....	1
Blanks, two hundred ten.....	210

**Moderator**

Elected, Edward N. Eames had six hundred forty-six.....	646
Jerome J. O'Leary had four hundred eighty-one.....	481
Blanks, forty-three.....	43

**Member of Planning Board (three years)**

Elected, Edward M. Neilson had six hundred eighty-eight.....	688
Henry J. Porter had three hundred sixty-eight.....	368
Blanks, one hundred fourteen.....	114

**Water Commissioner (three years)**

Louis T. McMahon had nine hundred forty-seven.....	947
William B. McIntosh had one.....	1
William McIntosh had one.....	1
Blanks, two hundred twenty-one.....	221

After administering the oath of office to the following named persons:

Walter G. Buckle and Harold E. Melzar as Selectmen to act as Board of Survey, and Fence Viewers, Ralph R. Currier as Town Clerk, Frank L. Eames as Treasurer, George W. Buck as Tax Collector and Albert D. Butters as Constable, the meeting adjourned until Monday, March 14, 1932, at eight o'clock P. M. at the Grange Hall.

Attest:

RALPH R. CURRIER,

Town Clerk.

# Records of Proceedings of the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting Held

March 14, 1932.

At eight o'clock the Moderator called the meeting to order and proceeded to take up Article 2.

**Article 2.** Motion by Mr. Ritchie, that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to bring in a list of names as nominations for the several offices to be filled under this Article. Voted in the affirmative. The Moderator appointed Mr. Gardner Ritchie, Mr. Charles J. Allgrove and Mr. Charles Perry. The committee retired and submitted the following list as nominations.

## Field Driver

Charles D. Reilly

## Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber

Herbert C. Barrows

Walter L. Hale

Wilfred A. Andrews

Arthur W. Eames

Schamiel R. McIntosh

Harry R. Deming

Edward N. Eames

Arnold D. Carter

## Public Weighers of Merchandise

Fred W. Carter

Clifford Gates

Harry R. Deming

Walter L. Hale

Walter L. Hale Jr.

Mrs. Walter L. Hale

Algot L. Osterman

Clayton F. Lyon

## Cemetery Commissioners (three years)

Louis T. McMahon

Motion by Mr. Ritchie, that the report of the committee be accepted and adopted and the nominees be declared elected. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 3.** Motion by Mr. Harriman, that the committee on additional School Accomodations be extended for another year. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 4.** Motion by Mr. Barrows, that the Town raise and appropriate the several and respective sums as recommended by the Finance Committee, each item to be taken up and voted upon separately, subject to amendment. Voted in the affirmative.

The following amounts were raised and appropriated under this Article.

#### General Government

Selectmen .....	\$700.00
Town Accountant .....	650.00
Treasurer .....	950.00
Tax Collector .....	2,000.00
Assessors .....	2,000.00
Town Clerk .....	450.00
Constable .....	50.00
Election and Registration .....	500.00
Town Hall .....	400.00
Finance Committee .....	75.00
Town Counsel .....	500.00
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	\$8,275.00

#### Protection of Life and Property

Fire Department .....	\$6,000.00
Police Department .....	5,500.00
Hydrant Rental .....	4,960.00

The decision of the Moderator was questioned.

148 voted in the affirmative.

49 voted in the negative.

Building Inspection .....	300.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	350.00

Moth Department .....	500.00
Tree Warden .....	500.00
Forest Fires .....	750.00
Health .....	500.00
Public Health Nurse .....	1,200.00
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	\$20,560.00

### Highways, Roads and Bridges

General Appropriation .....	\$15,000.00
Chapter 90 (Shawsheen Avenue) .....	2,000.00
Salem and Lowell Streets Maintenance	
.. Amendment offered by Mr. Barrows to include Burling-	
.. ton Avenue. Voted in the affirmative.	
Salem and Lowell Streets and Burlington Avenue	
.. Maintenance .....	750.00
Electric Street Lights .....	7,685.00
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	\$25,435.00

### Charities and Aid

Public Welfare .....	\$10,000.00
Mothers Aid .....	1,350.00
State Aid .....	500.00
Military Aid .....	300.00
Soldiers Relief .....	2,000.00
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	14,150.00

### Education

Schools .....	66,000.00
Vocational Training .....	2,500.00
Library .....	800.00
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	69,300.00

### Water Department

Water Department Balance of \$2,670.87 and Receipts

#### Miscellaneous

Parks .....	200.00
Fircmens Pensions .....	542.00
Unclassified .....	600.00
Cemetery .....	2,500.00
Interest Amendment offered by Mr. Harriman, that the sum of \$20,145.00 be appropriated for the payment of interest, \$15,545.00 be raised by taxation and \$4600.00 transferred from Water Department Revenue to Interest Account. Voted in the affirmative. ....	
	\$15 545.00
Town Debt .....	14,250.00
Reserve Fund .....	6,500.00
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	\$40,137.00

**Article 5.** Motion by Mr. Melzar, that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1932, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 6.** Motion by Mr. Fred J. McQuaide, that the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for the proper observance of Memorial Day and that the Moderator appoint a committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance.

Amendment offered by Mr. Charles Perry that the amount of three hundred dollars be raised instead of four hundred dollars. Voted in the negative.

Motion was then voted on. Voted in the affirmative.

Following Article 22, the Moderator appointed the following Committee: John Simpson, Civil War Veteran; Walter Hale, Spanish War

Veteran; Claude Thompson, Spanish War Veteran; Louis Kennedy, Spanish War Veteran; Mrs. Sarah P. Bedell, Ladies Auxiliary; Miss Elizabeth McMahon, Ladies Auxiliary; Mrs. Livingston, Ladies Auxiliary; Past Commander J. T. Holmes, American Legion; Past Commander M. O. Reebenacker, American Legion; Finance Officer Joseph McMahon, American Legion; Commander Fred J. McQuaide, American Legion; Chairman.

**Article 7.** Motion by Mrs. Carlon, that the Water Commissioners be instructed to extend the water main on Glen Road and install a hydrant near Lee Street, and that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated to pay cost of same.

Amendment offered by Mr. Barrows that the sum be amended to \$500.00. Voted in the affirmative. Motion as amended. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 8.** Motion by Mr. Barrows to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 9.** Motion by Mr. McMahon, that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the purpose of installing Town Water in the Cemetery, and that this amount be transferred from the Cemetery Reserve Account. Voted in the affirmative.

**Motion 10.** Motion by Mr. Melzar, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) to defray it's share of the cost or reconstruction of the Aqueduct Bridge on Shawheen Avenue. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 11.** Motion by Mr. Melzar to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 12.** Motion by Mr. Melzar, that the sum of eight thousand six hundred ninety-four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$8,694.75) being the amount of the assessment already made for the town's proportion of the cost of the construction and equipment of Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital be and the same is hereby appropriated and that of said amount the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00)

be funded as authorized by Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1932, said sum to be paid in substantially equal instalments over a period of five (5) years in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter 10, and the town clerk be and he hereby is directed to file with the county commissioners promptly a copy of this vote. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 13.** Motion by Mr. Neilson to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 14.** Motion that the Moderator be instructed to appoint a committee of five (5) to assist the Planning Board in its duties as outlined in Chapter 41, Section 70, 71 and 72 of the General Laws. Amendment offered by Mr. Newcomb that the committee consist of two (2) instead of five. Voted in the affirmative. Motion as amended voted in the affirmative. The Moderator appointed Mr. A. Chandler Manning and Mr. Howard E. Bedell.

**Article 15.** Motion by Mr. Melzar, that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized in their discretion to sell or dispose of the East School House lot and building thereon on the best terms obtainable. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 16.** Motion by Mr. Barrows that the Town Accountant be instructed to establish a new account under the title of "Surplus Account", and beginning with the Annual Town Meeting to be held in March 1933, and at each Annual Town Meeting thereafter, if such be recommended by the Finance Committee, an amount to be transferred from Excess and Deficiency Account to said Surplus Account by two-thirds vote of those present and voting at said Annual Town Meeting; said annual transfers to continue to be made until "Surplus Account" shall amount to two per cent. 2% of the assessed valuation of the Town.

No withdrawals or payments shall be made from said "Surplus Account" unless an emergency shall be declared to exist and then only with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, Finance Committee, and by a two thirds vote of those present and voting at an Annual or Special Town Meeting.



If and when said "Surplus Account" shall equal two per cent, (2%), of the assessed valuation and subsequently by reason of payments and withdrawals shall be reduced below said two per cent. (2%) additional transfers from Excess and Deficiency Account may be voted to maintain the principal amount of said "Surplus Account." Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 17.** Motion by Mr. McMahon, that the Town elect a Board of Health at the Annual Meeting in the year 1933, such Board to have all powers now possessed by the Board of Selectmen acting as a Board of Health, and to have such powers and duties as may be prescribed by Statute Law. Voted in the negative.

**Article 18.** Motion to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 19.** Motion to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 20.** Motion to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 21.** Motion to pass the Article. Voted in the affirmative.

**Article 22.** Motion by Mr. Buckle, that the Town vote to approve the granting by the Selectmen of licenses for the holding of moving Picture Entertainments in this Town on Sundays. Voted in the affirmative.

Moderator then appointed the Committee under Article 6. (List of same will be found under Article 6).

Motion to adjourn. Voted in the affirmative.

Attest:

RALPH R. CURRIER,  
Town Clerk.

# SUMMARY OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES and DEATHS

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## WITH STATEMENT OF MONEY PAID THE COUNTY TREASURER AND TOWN TREASURER DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

Whole number of deaths during 1932, Fifty (50.) Male twenty-three (23.) Female twenty-seven (27.)

Persons 70 years old and over died during year 1932.

	Age	
	Years	Months
Phebe A. (Utton) Deming	76	10
Jeannie Simonds	70	
Annie Irons	86	
Matilda W. C. Bent	91	9
William Edward Morgan	71	1
Miss Julia M. Parker	78	5
Thomas J. Knight	74	5
Samuel Richards	82	7
Abbie M. Lyon	82	1
Rudolph S. Porter	72	
Mary S. DeLisle	73	
James A. Ross	82	3
Mary Jane Muse	85	4
Valrie Marie Perry	88	8
Alice Mont Taylor	72	1
Ella Ardell Shattuck	77	1
George Priggin	76	4
Mary Helen Robinson	89	10
Nellie A. O'Brien	74	6
Thomas Cameron	85	

## Cause of Death

Heart Disease	13	Accidental Drowning	3
Pneumonia	7	Stillborn	1
Carcinoma	3	Automobiles	1
Tuberculosis	1	Embolism	2
Acute gangrenous appendix	1	Alcoholism	1
Acute Bronchitis	1	Other Causes	14
Apoplexy	2		

Number of Non-Residents buried in Wilmington ..... 34

## Vital Statistics

Number of marriages recorded .....			43
Oldest groom	65	Oldest bride	58
Youngest groom	19	Youngest bride	14
Births, whole number registered in 1932 .....			71
Male	37	Female	34

## Dog Licenses

Whole number .....	428		
356 males	71 females	1 Breeder	0 Kennel
By Cash Paid County Treasurer .....	\$278.00		
By Cash Paid Town Treasurer to Dec. 1st .....	705.60		
By Cash Paid Town Treasurer to Dec. 31st. ....	22.80		

## Sporting Licenses

Whole number .....	84
Res. Cit. Sp. License .....	70
Res. Cit. Trapping License (Issued free of charge) .....	8
Minor's Trapping License .....	2
Minor's Sporting License to Fish Only .....	4
By Cash Paid Division of Fisheries and Game .....	\$181.00

## Complied Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths

Number on hand January 1, 1932 .....	117
Number on hand December 31, 1932 .....	112

Paid Town Treasurer 4 books @ \$1.00 ..... \$4.00  
 One Record donated to the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library at Wakefield, Mass.

These Records are on sale by vote of the Selectmen at \$1.00 per copy. (Book stores are allowed to purchase these copies at \$.60 each and may be obtained from the Town Clerk).

### Town Licenses

During the year 1932 the Selectmen granted licenses which were recorded and delivered by the Town Clerk. I wish to thank the Police Department for their assistance in this work.

Whole number of licenses recorded .....	174
Issued by the Town Clerk .....	147
Renewals by Town Clerk .....	25
Transient Vendors local license fees .....	2
Of the above 3 Licenses returned as uncalled for	
2       "       fees waived	
1       "       no fee	
By total cash paid Town Treasurer on account of Licenses and	
License fees .....	\$713.86

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH R. CURRIER,

Town Clerk.

THE TOWN CLERK WILL FURNISH TO PARENTS, HOUSEHOLDERS, PHYSICIANS AND MIDWIVES, APPLYING THEREFOR, BLANKS FOR RETURNS OF BIRTHS AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

## TOWN WARRANT

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To Albert D. Butters, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greeting:—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday the seventeenth day of October next at 8:00 o'clock P. M., to consider and act on the following Article:

Article 1. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to renew or refund any notes issued in anticipation of revenue for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of Sect. 17, Chap. 44, General Laws, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this third day of October, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Two.

HAROLD E. MELZAR,  
WALTER G. BUCKLE,  
JOHN T. HOLMES,

Selectmen of Wilmington.

Middlesex ss.

Wilmington, Oct: 7, 1932

This is to certify that I this day posted attested copies of this Warrant in accordance with the Town By-Laws.

ALBERT D. BUTTERS,  
Constable of Wilmington.

Record of proceedings of Special Town Meeting, held October 17, 1932 at 8.00 o'clock P. M.

Meeting was called to order by the Moderator and the Warrant was read by Town Clerk.

Moderator then proceeded with Article 1.

Motion by Mr. Melzar: Moved that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and he hereby is authorized to renew or refund any notes issued in anticipation of revenue for a period of less than one year in accordance with the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws. Voted unanimously in the affirmative.

Motion to adjourn. Voted in the affirmative.

Attest:

RALPH R. CURRIER,

Town Clerk.

## ASSESSORS' VALUATION OF TOWN PROPERTY, 1932

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Real Estate .....	\$4,095,543.00
Personal Estate .....	265,133.00
Excess .....	216,620.00
Number of Polls .....	1,187
Rate of Taxation per M. ....	34.60
State Tax .....	6,045.00
State Park and Reservation Tax .....	8.87
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	1,230.00
County Tax .....	6,050.94
Tuberculosis Tax .....	1,336.76
Town Tax Including Overlay .....	139,745.99

### Schedule of Town Property

Schoolhouse and Lots .....	\$83,000.00
Memorial Park .....	3,500.00
Cemetery—Toolhouse and Tools .....	3,000.00
Town Hall—Lot and Fire Equipment .....	3,700.00
Public Library—Contents and Lot .....	5,000.00
Highway Building and Lot .....	4,800.00
Engine House, Lock-up and Lot .....	3,100.00
Math Building and Lot .....	700.00
Common and Flag Staff .....	2,500.00
Water Department Building, Stand Pipe, Equipment and Land .....	322,000.00
Land and Building Account of Tax Sales .....	51,800.00
Highway Trucks, Machinery and Tools .....	4,200.00
Furniture in Town Hall, Safes and Cabinets .....	2,000.00
Fire Trucks, Hose, Ladders and Other Equipment.....	5,000.00
Sprayers and Fixtures .....	400.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Equipment .....	2,000.00
Police Equipment .....	500.00
School Supplies Furniture & etc. ....	7,500.00
	\$507,700.00

GEORGE W. BUCK,  
J. HOWARD EAMES,  
FRANK L. EAMES,  
Assessors, Town of Wilmington.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash in Treasury .....	\$21,581.01
Cash Received Account of:	
Income Taxes .....	20,182.00
Corporation Taxes .....	807.32
Reimbursement for loss of Taxes .....	6.22
Military Aid .....	142.50
National Bank Tax .....	.23
Trust Company Tax .....	.43
Veterans' Exemptions .....	174.46
Mothers' Aid .....	442.25
State Aid .....	366.00
Dog Licenses .....	1,778.67
Highways .....	15,175.67
Board of Public Welfare .....	4,449.22
Education .....	3,936.53
Sealer's Fees .....	66.47
Licenses .....	753.86
Births, Deaths and Marriages .....	4.00
Rent of Land .....	50.00
East School Building .....	125.00
Bequest of Lizzie T. B. Sweatt .....	5,000.00
Building Inspection .....	48.00
Water Department .....	11,628.96
Cemetery .....	950.00
Court Fines .....	60.00
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	938.00
Police Department .....	107.78
Library .....	74.79
Deeds of Release .....	651.00
Telephone Tolls .....	1.00
Interest on Deposits .....	335.06
Town Notes .....	220,000.00

Taxes, 1930 .....	3,635.89
Interest on Taxes, 1930 .....	348.07
Taxes, 1931 .....	84,003.71
Interest on Taxes, 1931 .....	3,811.91
Taxes, 1932 .....	63,895.89
Interest on Taxes, 1932 .....	96.89
Excise Taxes, 1929 .....	325.68
Interest on Taxes, 1929 .....	77.70
Excise Taxes, 1930 .....	220.26
Interest on Excise Taxes, 1930 .....	19.56
Excise Taxes, 1931 .....	1,544.72
Interest on Excise Taxes, 1931 .....	76.00
Excise Taxes, 1932 .....	2,859.64
Interest on Excise Taxes, 1932 .....	12.71
Old Age Assistance Tax, 1931 .....	284.00
Old Age Assistance Tax, 1932 .....	656.00
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	\$471,705.17

#### PAYMENTS

Cash Paid Account of Treasury Warrants .....	411,627.60
Cash in Treasury .....	60,077.57
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	\$471,705.17

FRANK L. EAMES,  
Treasurer.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

**FOR THE**  
**Financial Year Ending December 31, 1932**

**SHOWING**  
**APPROPRIATIONS, RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS,**  
**STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT**  
**AND BALANCE SHEET**

# REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Herewith I beg to hand you my report as Town Accountant covering financial transactions of the Town for the year 1932, showing appropriations, receipts, payments, loans made and payments thereon, together with statement of Town Debt and Balance Sheet after closing of books December 31, 1932.

The Assessors' Valuation and Commitment books have been checked, as well as accounts of departments having receipts or expenditures.

The accounts of the Treasurer have been examined, and cash balance shown, \$60,077.57, has been verified.

Through your Board I wish to call the attention of the tax payers to the fact that although 1932 was a critical year for many cities and towns, Wilmington had no departmental over-drafts, and furthermore that we have carried to Excess and Deficiency Account unexpended balances amounting to \$1745.33. The only account for which an appropriation will have to be made in 1933 is that of Interest, \$1296.35. This deficit was caused by our being obliged to charge to 1932 Interest discount on temporary loans amounting to \$2666.66, which under normal conditions would have been paid when notes matured in 1933.

It should also be noted that although we have taken \$4452.74 from Excess and Deficiency Account to off-set Tax Titles taken by the Town, our E. & D. Account has increased from \$5600.04 in 1931 to \$7685.72 at the end of 1932.

Respectfully yours,

HARRY R. DEMING,  
Town Accountant.

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

## Selectmen

Appropriation .....	\$700.00
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## Payments

Salaries .....	\$650.00
Postage, printing and stationery .....	16.45
Advertising .....	15.00
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	\$681.45

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	18.55
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	\$700.00

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## Town Accountant

Appropriation .....	\$650.00
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## Payments

Salary .....	\$600.00
Postage, printing and stationery .....	36.45
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	\$636.45

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	13.55
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	\$650.00

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## Treasurer

Appropriation .....	\$950.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	65.00

## Payments

Salary .....	\$800.00
Premium on bond .....	135.00

Postage, printing and stationery .....	80.00	
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	\$1015.00	\$1015.00

**Tax Collector**

Appropriation .....	\$2000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	103.15

**Payments**

Salary .....	\$1500.00	
Premium on bond .....	270.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	323.95	
Tax sale expenses .....	9.20	
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	\$2,103.15	\$2,103.15

**Assessors**

Appropriation .....	\$2,000.00
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**Payments**

Salaries .....	\$1682.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	142.62	
Compiling index .....	125.00	
Repairs to valuation book .....	15.00	
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	\$1964.62	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	35.38	
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	\$2000.00	\$2000.00

**Finance Committee**

Appropriation .....	\$75.00
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**Payments**

Postage and printing .....	\$47.35
Clerical work .....	10.00

Advertising .....	1.50	
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	\$58.85	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	16.15	
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	\$75.00	\$75.00

### Town Counsel

Appropriation .....	\$500.00
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### Payments

Legal services .....	\$414.00	
Telephone charges .....	1.05	
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	\$415.05	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	84.95	
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	\$500.00	\$500.00

### Town Clerk

Appropriation .....	\$450.00
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### Payments

Salary .....	\$400.00	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	40.90	
Premium on bond .....	5.00	
Miscellaneous .....	2.50	
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	\$448.40	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	1.60	
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	\$450.00	\$450.00



**Election and Registration**

Appropriation .....	\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	270.00

**Payments****Election:**

Salaries .....	\$330.00	
Printing and stationery ..	111.53	
Labor on voting booths ..	47.50	
Rent, Grange Hall .....	10.00	
Lunches, election officers .	23.30	
Miscellaneous .....	1.65	\$523.98

**Registration:**

Salaries .....	\$233.00	
Printing and stationery ..	7.39	
Advertising .....	3.00	243.39
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		\$767.37

Unexpended balance, to Excess and  
Deficiency Account .....

2.63

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\$770.00

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\$770.00**Town Hall**

Appropriation .....	\$400.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	230.00

**Payments**

Salary, janitor .....	\$160.00
Telephone .....	36.75
Light .....	70.33
Fuel .....	191.00
Repairs and supplies.....	22.69
Fire insurance premium .....	144.36
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	\$625.13

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	4.87	
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	\$630.00	\$630.00

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### Police Department

Appropriation .....	\$5500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	962.82

#### Payments

Salaries and wages .....	\$5414.50	
Office rent, light and heat .....	369.20	
Telephones .....	115.87	
Maintenance police car .....	276.28	
Automobile hire .....	5.65	
Light, traffic signals .....	136.03	
Medical services .....	18.00	
Postage and printing .....	32.30	
Premium on bond .....	10.00	
Repairs to office .....	36.15	
New equipment .....	28.50	
Repairs to signal light .....	17.09	
Miscellaneous .....	3.25	
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	\$6462.82	\$6462.82

### Constable

Appropriation .....	\$50.00
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#### Payments

Salary .....	\$50.00
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### Fire Department

Appropriation .....	\$6000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	54.56

**Payments**

Salaries and wages .....	\$1471.85	
Light .....	37.29	
Fuel .....	222.10	
Telephone .....	33.02	
Power .....	92.49	
Water .....	22.00	
Repairs and supplies .....	724.76	
Accident insurance .....	250.00	
Fire insurance on trucks .....	74.58	
Hospital and medical treatment .....	117.65	
Miscellaneous .....	8.82	
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	\$6054.56	\$6054.56

**Hydrant Rental**

Appropriation .....	\$4960.00
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**Payments**

Rental of hydrants .....	\$4960.00
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**Inspection of Buildings**

Appropriation .....	\$300.00
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**Payments**

Salary, inspector .....	\$250.00	
Postage, printing and telephone .....	8.14	
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	\$258.14	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	41.86	
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	\$300.00	\$300.00

**Sealing of Weights and Measures**

Appropriation .....	\$350.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	65.00

**Payments**

Salary, sealer .....	\$300.00	
Transportation .....	38.00	
Sealing equipment .....	12.33	
Fire insurance on equipment .....	62.75	
Advertising .....	1.50	
Postage and telephone .....	.42	
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	\$415.00	\$415.00

**Suppression of Moths**

Appropriation .....	\$500.00
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**Payments**

Salaries and wages .....	\$365.22	
Compensation insurance .....	92.86	
Public liability insurance .....	2.19	
Trees .....	12.50	
Light .....	15.85	
Telephone .....	3.05	
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	\$491.67	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	8.33	
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	\$500.00	\$500.00

**Tree Warden**

Appropriation .....	\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	125.00

**Payments**

Salaries and wages .....	\$563.87	
Repairs and supplies .....	13.55	
Tools and equipment .....	33.65	
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	\$611.07	

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	13.93	
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	\$625.00	\$625.00

### Forest Fires

Appropriation .....	\$750.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	300.00

### Payments

Wages .....	\$984.00	
Pump tanks .....	60.75	
Refreshments .....	2.15	
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	\$1046.90	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	3.10	
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	\$1050.00	\$1050.00

### Health and Sanitation

Appropriation .....	\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	615.50

### Payments

Salary, Inspector of Animals .....	\$150.00	
Salary, Agent of Board of Health ....	25.00	
Medical services .....	58.00	
Hospital board and care .....	719.00	
Vital Statistics, fees for return of births, marriages and deaths .....	142.50	
Signs .....	21.00	
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	\$1115.50	\$1115.50

### Public Health Work

Appropriation .....	\$1200.00
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**Payments**

Salary, district nurse .....	\$1200.00
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**HIGHWAYS, ROADS AND BRIDGES****General Account**

Appropriation .....	\$15000.00
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**Payments**

Salaries and wages .....	\$7091.23
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## Removing Snow:

Wages .....	\$351.76
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Team hire .....	167.89	519.65
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Sand and gravel .....	707.40
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Asphalt and oil .....	2504.50
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Pipe and culverts .....	82.34
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Compensation and liability insurance ..	1182.58
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Repairs and supplies .....	2019.19
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New equipment .....	252.00
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Light .....	13.77
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Fuel .....	272.00
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Telephone .....	50.68
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Crushed stone .....	31.63
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Miscellaneous .....	34.25
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	\$14761.22
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Unexpended balance, to Excess and	
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Deficiency Account .....	238.78
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	\$15000.00
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	\$15000.00
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**Shawsheen Avenue — Construction**

Appropriation .....	\$2000.00
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From State .....	1983.73
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From County .....	1983.74
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**Payments**

Salaries and wages .....	\$3422.14	
Asphalt .....	473.11	
Gravel .....	333.93	
Repairs and supplies .....	879.84	
Culverts .....	160.64	
Cable rail fence and posts .....	681.55	
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	\$5951.21	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	16.26	
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	\$5967.47	\$5967.47

**Aqueduct Bridge -- Reconstruction**

Appropriation .....	\$1500.00
From Town of Billerica .....	3202.97
From State .....	1254.08
From County .....	1254.09

**Payments**

New bridge (on account contract) ....	\$6405.95	
Cable rail fence .....	88.00	
Advertising .....	14.40	
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	\$6508.35	
Balance .....	702.79	
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	\$7211.14	\$7211.14
Credit Balance to 1933 .....		\$702.79

**Salem and Lowell Streets and  
Burlington Avenue -- Maintenance**

Appropriation .....	\$750.00
From State .....	721.10
From County .....	721.10

## Payments

Salaries and wages .....	\$978.29	
Repairs and supplies .....	189.28	
Asphalt .....	900.45	
Sand and gravel .....	95.28	
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	\$2163.30	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	28.90	
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	\$2192.20	\$2192.20

### Summary of Highway Accounts for 1932.

Total appropriations .....	\$19250.00
From State .....	3958.91
From County .....	3958.93
From Town of Billerica .....	3202.97
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	\$30370.81
Total expenditures .....	29384.08
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Unexpended balances .....	\$986.73

## Electric Street Lights

Appropriation .....	\$7685.00
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## Payments

Lights per contract, 497—40 c. p.	
lights 5—600 c. p. lights, 15—50 w.	
lights, 8—300 w. lights .....	\$7684.56
Unexpended balance, to Excess and	
Deficiency Account .....	.44
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	\$7685.00



## CHARITIES

## Board of Public Welfare

Appropriation .....	\$10000.00
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## Payments

Board .....	\$1674.52
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Cash .....	1504.70
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Rent .....	160.50
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Fuel .....	378.31
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Groceries and provisions .....	3311.47
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Hospital board and care .....	394.29
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Medical services .....	78.50
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Medicines .....	22.07
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Shoes .....	7.28
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Moving household goods .....	15.00
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Old Age Assistance:	
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Cash .....	\$2149.00
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Medical services ....	6.00
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Medicines .....	1.00	2156.00
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Legal services .....	6.00
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Clerical work .....	120.00
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Travel .....	125.15
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Postage, stationery and telephone .....	27.42
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	\$9981.21
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Unexpended balance, to Excess and	
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Deficiency Account .....	18.79
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	\$10000.00
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	\$10000.00
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## Mothers' Aid

Appropriation .....	\$1350.00
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## Payments

Cash .....	\$924.00
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Fuel .....	73.50	
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	\$997.50	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	352.50	
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	\$1350.00	\$1350.00

### SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

#### State Aid

Appropriation .....	\$500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	426.00

#### Payments

Cash .....	\$926.00	
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	\$926.00	\$926.00

#### Military Aid

Appropriation .....	\$300.00
No payments	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	\$300.00

#### Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation .....	\$2000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	650.50

#### Payments

Cash .....	\$2650.50	
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	\$2650.50	\$2650.50

### EDUCATIONAL

#### Schools

Appropriation .....	\$66000.00
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Refund, account salaries .....	5.75
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	50.00

### Payments

Superintendent's salary .....	\$2535.00	
School physician's salary .....	100.00	
School nurse's salary .....	1016.65	
Attendance officer's salary .....	100.00	
Superintendent's travel, etc. ....	174.08	
Telephones .....	115.29	
Principal's, supervisors' and teachers' salaries .....	43122.73	
Transportation of pupils .....	5811.92	
Janitors' salaries .....	3772.00	
Fuel .....	2289.80	
Light .....	287.49	
Water .....	94.18	
Insurance .....	889.91	
Books and supplies .....	2999.65	
Repairs, maintenance, etc. ....	1645.17	
Rent:		
Hall .....	42.00	
Land .....	75.00	117.00
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New equipment .....	815.73	
Miscellaneous .....	41.21	
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	\$65927.81	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	127.94	
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	\$66055.75	\$66055.75

### Vocational Training

Appropriation .....	\$2500.00
Payments	
Tuition at vocational training schools ..	\$1179.58

To Excess and Deficiency Account .....	327.90	
Balance to 1933 .....	992.52	
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	\$2500.00	\$2500.00
Credit Balance to 1933 .....		\$992.52
Unpaid bills \$992.52		

### Public Library

Appropriation .....	\$800.00
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#### Payments

Salary, Librarian .....	\$350.00
Janitor .....	49.00
Light .....	15.12
Fuel .....	28.00
Repairs .....	5.00
Fire insurance .....	37.73
Postage, printing and stationery .....	31.38
Books and magazines .....	274.34
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	\$790.57

Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	9.43	
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	\$800.00	\$800.00

### Parks

Appropriation .....	\$200.00
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#### Payments

Labor on flag staff .....	\$5.00	
Care, Nee, Rogers and Regan Parks ....	145.00	
Water system .....	50.00	
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	\$200.00	\$200.00

### Firemen's Pensions

Appropriations .....	\$542.00
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**Payments**

Payments made under provisions of

Chap. 83, Acts 1928 .....	\$542.00
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**Unclassified**

Appropriation .....	\$600.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....	206.66

**Payments**

Printing Town Reports .....	\$287.76	
Delivering Town Reports .....	25.00	
Certifying Town Notes .....	16.00	
Maintenance charge (water bonds) .....	150.00	
Rent safe deposit box .....	10.00	
Care Town Clock .....	45.00	
Care Town Flag .....	4.50	
Postage, printing and stationery .....	13.75	
Disposal of dogs .....	117.75	
License plates .....	3.10	
Repairs to traffic signals .....	69.05	
Land court registration .....	64.75	
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	\$806.66	\$806.66

**Memorial Day**

Appropriation .....	\$400.00
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**Payments**

Music .....	\$115.00
Printing and postage .....	3.00
Flowers .....	59.40
Dinners .....	149.80
Flags .....	8.29
Transportation .....	30.00
Markers .....	4.00

Memorial address .....	25.00	
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	\$394.49	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and "Deficiency Account".....	5.51	
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	\$400.00	\$400.00

## Water Department

Balance from 1931 .....	\$2670.87
Water Rates .....	9584.43
Shut off charges .....	163.36
Demands .....	23.17
Hydrant rental .....	5080.00
Services .....	1380.19
Miscellaneous .....	337.21
Interest .....	13.60

## Payments

Salaries and wages .....	\$7432.45
Pumping station .....	955.07
Services .....	1341.22
Trucks and autos .....	856.56
Railroad rent .....	24.00
Office .....	538.38
Tools and equipment .....	265.56
Insurance .....	373.70
Miscellaneous .....	100.70
Maintenance:	
Hydrants .....	98.15
Equipment .....	180.55
Street Mains .....	17.00
Well Field .....	40.09
Grading .....	74.08
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	\$12297.51

Transferred to Interest Account .....	4600.00	
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	\$16897.51	
Balance, to 1933 .....	2355.32	
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	\$19252.83	\$19252.83

#### Glen Road Water Mains — Construction

Appropriations .....	\$500.00
Refund, account wages .....	8.00

#### Payments

Salaries and wages .....	\$329.20	
Tools and material .....	89.57	
Compressor hire .....	36.20	
Damage .....	7.50	
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	\$462.47	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	45.53	
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	\$508.00	\$508.00

#### Cemetery

Appropriation .....	\$2500.00
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#### Payments

Salaries and wages .....	\$1811.40	
Team hire (mowing) .....	15.00	
Compensation insurance .....	33.11	
Repairs and supplies .....	140.72	
Fertilizer .....	73.53	
Shrubs and flowers .....	40.40	
Gravel and loam .....	47.55	
Surveys and plans .....	117.00	
Water .....	88.50	
Curbing .....	8.00	

Garage rent .....	6.00	
New equipment .....	97.75	
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	\$2478.96	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	21.04	
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	\$2500.00	\$2500.00

### Cemetery Water Supply System

Appropriation (From Cemetery Reserve Fund) .....	\$1000.00
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#### Payments

Wages .....	\$154.80	
Pipe, fittings, boxes, etc. ....	716.08	
Sprinklers, bubblers, etc. ....	88.71	
Hose .....	33.00	
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	\$992.59	
Unexpended balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	7.41	
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	\$1000.00	\$1000.00

### Cemetery Reserve Fund

Credit Balance from 1931 .....	\$1730.00	
Sale of lots and graves .....	450.00	
Appropriated for Water Supply System	\$1000.00	
Balance .....	1180.00	
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	\$2180.00	\$2180.00
Credit Balance to 1933 .....		\$1180.00

#### Interest

Appropriation (From Taxes) .....	\$15545.00	
(From Water Department Revenue) ..	4600.00	\$20145.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund .....		2375.81



Overdraft .....	1296.35
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### Payments

#### Interest on:

Temporary loans .....	\$11174.65	
School Department bonds .....	236.26	
Water Department bonds .....	12406.25	
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	\$23817.16	\$23817.16
Overdraft, to 1933 .....	\$1296.35	

### Town Indebtedness

Appropriation .....	\$14250.00
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### Payments

Water Department bonds .....	\$12500.00	
High School House bonds No. 35 and 36 .....	1750.00	
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	\$14250.00	\$14250.00

### Trust Funds

#### Receipts

Perpetual care fund, cemetery lot Walter A. Hill .....	\$100.00
Perpetual care fund, cemetery lot Rachel Clough .....	100.00
Perpetual care fund, cemetery lot Samuel Manning and Stephen Buck .....	100.00
Perpetual care fund, cemetery lot Clifford H. Wilson .	100.00
Perpetual care fund, cemetery lot Edwin B. Manning .	100.00
Perpetual care fund, etc. u-w Lizzie T. B. Sweatt .....	5000.00

#### Payments

To Trustees of Trust Funds, account cemetery perpetual care funds .....	\$500.00
To S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee ..	521.47
Account Cemetery Lots:	
Isaac Cazneau .....	6.00

Susan Carlton .....	12.50	..
Geo. W. & Minnie A. Sidelinker .....	12.00	
Sabra Carter (Jaques Lot) .....	4.00	
William H. Carter .....	4.00	
Dolly Harnden .....	6.00	
Thomas P. Eames .....	4.00	
Sabra Carter .....	5.00	
Rich Carter .....	4.00	
James Frazer .....	11.00	
Martha Temple .....	2.00	
S. D. J. Carter .....	6.00	
Charlotte C. Smith .....	2.00	
Chas. F. Hopkins .....	6.00	
Abner C. Childs .....	44.00	
Gilman C. Harnden .....	5.00	
Laura Parker .....	2.00	
Sarah G. Sheldon .....	6.00	
Rufus C. Eames .....	3.00	
John Sheldon Sargent .....	4.00	
Isabelle Holt .....	3.00	
Nathan B. Eames .....	4.00	
Thomas Day .....	4.00	
Lorenzo Meads .....	6.00	
Almira J. Carley .....	16.50	
George E. Swain .....	3.00	
Josiah Monroe (Elbridge Carter and Walter H. Blanchard Lot) .....	4.00	
Jacob H. Shedd .....	4.00	
George T. Eames .....	4.00	
Jonathan Eames, 2nd. ....	4.00	
Newman Parker, Jr. ....	4.00	
Irwin E. Morse .....	4.00	
Sylvester & Lois R. Carter .....	4.00	
Captain George W. McIntosh .....	12.90	
Mary A. Gowing .....	3.00	
S. Lizzie Carter .....	3.00	
Julia M. Parker .....	3.00	

Jacques Gowing .....	3.00	
Benjamin T. Glover .....	4.00	
John N. Eames .....	4.00	
Lemuel C. Eames .....	4.00	
Sarah H. Jackson .....	3.00	
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	\$1274.37	
Balance .....	4225.63	
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	\$5500.00	\$5500.00
Balance to 1933 .....		\$4225.63

### Reserve Fund

Appropriation .....		\$6500.00
Transferred to:		
Treasurer .....	\$65.00	
Tax Collector .....	103.15	
Election and Registration .....	270.00	
Town Hall .....	230.00	
Police .....	962.82	
Fire Department .....	54.56	
Sealing Weights & Measures .....	65.00	
Tree Warden .....	125.00	
Forest Fires .....	300.00	
Health and Sanitation .....	615.00	
State Aid .....	426.00	
Soldiers' Relief .....	650.50	
Schools .....	50.00	
Unclassified .....	206.66	
Interest .....	2375.81	
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	\$6500.00	

### Middlesex County Sanatorium

Appropriation .....	\$1694.75
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**Payments**

to Middlesex County Treasurer .....	\$1694.75
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**Dog Licenses**

Received from Town Clerk .....		\$728.40
Paid to Middlesex County Treasurer ..	\$705.60	
Balance .....	22.80	
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	\$728.40	\$728.40
Balance to 1933 .....		\$22.80

**Tax Titles****Dr.**

Balance from 1931 .....	\$5973.41
Taxes and expenses on property taken by Town .....	4452.74

**Cr.**

Received from redeemed tax titles ....		\$609.35
Balance .....		9816.80
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	\$10426.15	\$10426.15
Dr. Balance to 1933 .....	\$9816.80	

**Tax Titles — Revenue Account****Cr.**

Balance from 1932 .....	\$5973.41
From Excess and Deficiency .....	4452.74

**Dr.**

To Excess and Deficiency Account (redeemed tax titles) .....	\$609.35
Balance .....	9816.80
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	\$10426.15
Cr. Balance to 1933 .....	\$9816.80

## Abatement 1930 Taxes

Dr.

1930 Taxes Abated .....	\$634.43	
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Cr.

Transferred from Overlay Reserve Account .....		\$643.43
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## Abatement 1931 Taxes

Dr.

1931 Taxes Abated .....	\$1363.11	
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Cr.

Balance from 1931 .....		\$1089.77
Transferred from Overlay Reserve Account .....		273.34
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	\$1363.11	\$1363.11

## Abatement 1932 Taxes

Cr.

1932 Overlay .....		\$1853.91
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Dr.

1932 Taxes Abated .....	\$225.51	
Balance .....	1628.40	
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	\$1853.91	\$1853.91
Cr. Balance to 1933 .....		\$1628.40

## Overlay Reserve Account

Cr.

Balance from 1931 .....		\$1261.25
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Dr.

Transferred to Abatement 1931 Taxes .	\$273.34	
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Transferred to Abatement 1930 Taxes .	634.43	
Balance .....	353.46	
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	\$1261.23	\$1261.22
Cr. Balance to 1933 .....		\$353.46

### Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### Dr.

Allotment account Shawsheen Avenue, .	\$1983.73
Allotment account Aqueduct Bridge Re- pairs .....	1254.08
Allotment account Salem and Lowell Sts., and Burlington Avenue .....	721.10

#### Cr.

Received from Commonwealth .....	\$3958.91
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	\$3958.91
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	\$3958.91

### County of Middlesex

#### Dr.

Allotment account Shawsheen Avenue .	\$1983.74
Allotment account Aqueduct Bridge Re- pairs .....	1254.09
Allotment account Salem and Lowell Sts. and Burlington Ave. .	721.10

#### Cr.

Received from County .....	\$3958.93
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	\$3958.93

### Revenue Account

#### Dr.

Appropriations (for Town purposes) .....	\$181951.75
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Balance, to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	267.50
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	\$182219.25

**Cr.**

Committed to Collector .....	\$138160.40
Estimated Receipts .....	44058.85
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	\$182219.25

**Estimated Receipts****Dr.****Estimated Amounts:**

Income Tax .....	\$20981.76	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax .....	5233.95	
Corporation Tax, Bus .....	584.77	
Corporation, P. S. ....	413.42	
National Bank Tax .....	23.07	
Trust Company Tax .....	1.36	
Fire Prevention Tax, refund, .....	.36	
Licenses .....	804.16	
Court Fines .....	175.00	
Town Clerk .....	3.00	
Protection Persons and Property ..	894.05	
Highways .....	564.87	
Highways (Chap. 122, 1931) .....	3566.05	
Charities .....	2742.62	
Soldiers' Benefits .....	470.00	
Schools .....	2785.32	
Library .....	103.70	
Parks .....	50.00	
Interest .....	4534.36	
Veterans' Exemptions .....	120.81	
Reimbursement, loss of taxes .....	6.22	\$44058.85

Refund, Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes .....	13.31
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Balance to Excess and Deficiency Account .....	3452.24
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	\$47524.40

**Cr.****Amounts Actually Received:**

Income Tax, 1932 .....		\$20182.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, (account 1929) .....	\$325.68	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, (account 1930) .....	220.26	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, (account 1931) .....	1544.72	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, (account 1932) .....	2859.64	4950.30
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Old Age Assistance Tax (State) .....		858.00
Corporation Tax, Bus. (1932) .....		536.19
Corporation Tax, P. S. (1932) .....		247.15
Corporation Tax, (previous years) .....		24.19
Trust Company Tax (1932) .....		.48
National Bank Tax (1932) .....		.02
Licenses .....		753.86
Court fines .....		60.00
Town Clerk, printed records .....		4.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department, refund salaries ..	\$105.00	
Telephone .....	2.78	107.78
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Building Inspection, fees .....		48.00
Sealing Weights & Measures, fees .....		66.47
Highways:		
Refund State tax on gas .....	\$55.59	
Discount on gas and oil .....	8.22	
From State, account snow .....	25.00	



Private work, railroad .....	400.00	488.81
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Highways, State gasoline tax (Chap. 122) .....		3566.05
Charities:		
Board of Public Welfare:		
Outside board .....	\$260.00	
From individuals .....	9.00	
State, temporary aid .....	2933.02	
Other cities and towns .....	1237.20	\$4439.22
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Mothers' Aid:		
From State .....		442.25
Soldiers' Benefits:		
State Aid .....	\$366.00	
Soldiers' Relief, other cities .....	10.00	
Military Aid .....	142.50	518.50
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Education:		
Schools:		
Account Superintendent, State ....	\$1204.08	
Dog Licenses, County .....	1050.27	
Tuition, State .....	1666.24	
Tuition, other towns .....	266.17	
Sale of pump .....	50.00	
Sale of East School House and lot .	125.00	4361.76
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Vocational Training:		
From State .....		744.29
Library, Fines and damage to books .....		74.79
Parks, Rent of land .....		50.00
Interest:		
On Taxes .....	\$4256.87	
On Excise taxes .....	186.03	
On Tax titles .....	41.65	

On Bank Deposits .....	335.06	4819.61
Veterans' Exemptions, from State .....		174.46
Reimbursement, loss of taxes, State .....		6 22
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		\$17524.40

### Excess and Deficiency Account

#### Dr.

To Tax Titles, Revenue Account .....	\$4452.74
Balance .....	7685.72
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	\$12138.46
Cr. Balance to 1933 .....	\$7685.72

#### Cr.

Balance from 1931 .....	\$5600.04
From Tax Titles Revenue Account (redeemed tax titles) .....	609.35
From Tax Revenue Account .....	267.50
From Estimated Receipts .....	3452.24
1931 Old Age Assistance Tax — Revenue Account ....	464.00
Unexpended Balances:	
Selectmen .....	\$18.55
Town Accountant .....	13.55
Assessors .....	35.38
Finance Committee .....	16.15
Town Counsel .....	84.95
Town Clerk .....	1.60
Election and Registration .....	2.63
Town Hall .....	4.87
Building Inspection .....	41.86
Suppression of Moths .....	8.33
Tree Warden .....	13.93
Forest Fires .....	3.10
Highways .....	238.78

Shawsheen Ave. — Construction ....	16.26	
Lowell, Salem Sts., Burlington Ave. Maint. ....	28.90	
Street Lights .....	.44	
Board of Public Welfare .....	18.79	
Mothers' Aid .....	352.50	
Military Aid .....	300.00	
Schools .....	127.94	
Vocational Training .....	327.90	
Library .....	9.43	
Memorial Day .....	5.51	
Glen Road Water Mains .....	45.53	
Cemetery .....	21.04	
Cemetery Water Supply System .....	7.41	\$1745.33
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		\$12138.46

#### Recapitulation of 1932 Taxes

Total Appropriations for Town purposes .....	\$181951.75
State Tax .....	6045.00
State Parks and Reservations .....	8.87
County Tax .....	6050.94
Tuberculosis Hospital Tax .....	1336.76
Old Age Assistance Tax .....	1230.00
Hospital and Home Care Tax .....	60.00
Overlay .....	1853.91
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	\$198537.23

#### Raised as follows

Poll Taxes, 1183 @ \$2.00 .....	\$2366.00	
Old Age Assistance Taxes, 1230 @ \$1.00 .....	1230.00	
Property Tax, \$4,360,676 @ \$34.60 ....	150882.38	
Estimated Receipts .....	44058.85	\$198537.23

## STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

## Temporary Loans

(Anticipation of Revenue)

## Outstanding January 1, 1932:

Note No. 88 .....	\$25000.00	
Note No. 89 .....	65000.00	
Note No. 90 .....	25000.00	\$115000.00

## Borrowed during 1932:

Note No. 91 .....	\$15000.00	
Note No. 92 .....	10000.00	
Note No. 93 .....	10000.00	
Note No. 94 .....	25000.00	
Note No. 95 .....	50000.00	
Note No. 97 .....	50000.00	
Note No. 98 .....	30000.00	
Note No. 99 .....	30000.00	\$220000.00
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		\$335000.00

## Paid during 1932:

Note No. 88 .....	\$25000.00	
Note No. 89 (on account) .....	30000.00	
Note No. 90 .....	25000.00	
Note No. 91 .....	15000.00	
Note No. 92 .....	10000.00	
Note No. 93 .....	10000.00	
Note No. 94 .....	25000.00	
Note No. 95 .....	50000.00	\$190000.00

Outstanding December 31, 1932 .....	\$145000.00
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## High School House Bonds

(Issue of 1914)

Outstanding January 1, 1932 .....	\$5250.00
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Paid during 1932 .....	1750.00
Outstanding December 31, 1932 .....	<u>\$3500.00</u>

### Water Department Bonds

(Issue of 1928)

Outstanding January 1, 1932 .....	\$337500.00
Paid during 1932 .....	<u>12500.00</u>
Outstanding December 31, 1932 .....	\$325000.00

### Summary of Town Debt

Temporary Loans (Anticipation of Revenue) .....	\$145000.00
High School House Bonds .....	3500.00
Water Department .....	<u>325000.00</u>
	\$173500.00

## BALANCE SHEET -- DECEMBER 31. 1932

### Dr.

Cash in Treasury .....			\$60077.57
George W. Buck, Collector, uncollected taxes:			
1930 Property .....	\$645.43		
1931 Property and Polls ..	13618.64		
1932 Property and Polls ..	89394.48	\$103658.55	
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1931 Old Age Assist. Tax .	\$124.00		
1932 Old Age Assist. Tax .	550.00	674.00	
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1930 Motor V. Excise Tax .	\$2226.56		
1931 Motor V. Excise Tax .	2906.15		
1932 Motor V. Excise Tax	3136.27	8268.98	112601.53
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Interest Account .....			1296.35

Tax Titles .....	9816.80
Balancing Account, High School House Bonds .....	3500.00
Balancing Account, Water Department Bonds .....	325000.00
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	\$512292.25

**Cr.**

Temporary Loans (Anticipation of Revenue) .....	\$145000.00
Aqueduct Bridge Repairs .....	702.79
Vocational Training .....	992.52
Trust Funds .....	4225.63
Dog License Account .....	22.80
Water Dept. Operating Account .....	2355.32
Cemetery Reserve Fund .....	1180.00
Surplus War Bonus Funds .....	1475.83
State Highway Land Damages .....	84.00
Abatement 1932 Taxes .....	1628.40
Overlay Reserve Account .....	353.46
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, Revenue Account, .....	8268.98
Tax Titles, Revenue Account .....	9816.80
High School House Bonds .....	3500.00
Water Department Bonds .....	325000.00
Excess and Deficiency Account .....	7685.72
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	\$512292.25

HARRY R. DEMING,

Town Accountant.

# DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Following is a list of departmental recommendations for 1933, with reasons for increase, if any, over 1932:

Department	Amount	Reason for Increase
Selectmen .....	\$700.00	
Town Accountant .....	650.00	
Treasurer .....	1026.00	Increased cost postage
Tax Collector .....	2800.00	Tax sale costs
Assessors .....	2000.00	
Finance Committee .....	75.00	
Town Counsel .....	500.00	
Town Clerk .....	450.00	
Election and Registration ...	350.00	
Town Hall .....	600.00	Increased cost maintenance
Police .....	6500.00	
Constable .....	50.00	
Fire Department .....	6000.00	
Hydrant Rental .....	5000.00	One more hydrant
Building Inspection .....	300.00	
Sealing Weights & Measures	350.00	
Suppression of Moths .....	300.00	
Tree Warden .....	500.00	
Forest Fires .....	1000.00	
Health and Sanitation .....	1000.00	Increase in hospital cases
Public Health Nurse .....	1200.00	
Highways, General Account .	15000.00	
Shawsheen Ave.—Construction	3000.00	
Highways, Chap. 90, Main- tenance .....	1200.00	
Street Lights .....	7685.00	
Board of Public Welfare ....	12000.00	Increase, Old Age Assist. cases
Mothers' Aid .....	2200.00	Additional cases
State Aid .....	1000.00	Additional cases

Military Aid .....	100.00	
Soldiers' Relief .....	2500.00	Additional cases
Schools .....	66000.00	
Vocational Training .....	2000.00	
Library .....	800.00	
Parks .....	200.00	
Firemen's Pensions .....	300.00	
Unclassified .....	600.00	
Memorial Day .....	400.00	
Water Department, 1932 Balance and 1933 Receipts		
Cemetery .....	2800.00	
Interest .....	20626.00	
Town Indettedness .....	14250.00	
Reserve Fund .....	6500.00	

Yours respectfully,

HARRY R. DEMING

Town Accountant.



# REPORT OF STATE AUDIT

## Letter of Transmittal Omitting Figures

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November 9, 1932

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Harold E. Melzar, Chairman

Wilmington, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Wilmington for the period from January 1, 1931, to September 17, 1932, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Edward H. Fenton, Chief Accountant of this Division.

Very truly yours,

Theodore N. Waddell

Director of Accounts.

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Wilmington for the period from January 1, 1931, to September 17, 1932, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions of the town, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and reconciled with the books and records in the town accountant's office.

The books and accounts in the town accountant's office were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were compared with the departmental records and with the treasurer's books, while the re-

recorded payments were compared with the treasurer's records of payments.

The appropriation accounts were checked with the town clerk's record of appropriations voted by the town and with the transfers authorized by the finance committee.

The ledger was analyzed, the necessary adjustments were made, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on September 17, 1932.

The town treasurer's account were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were checked with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the accountant's books.

The cash book was footed for the period covered by the audit and the cash balance was reconciled with the cash on hand and in the banks.

The town debt, revenue loans, and interest were verified, and the payments were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled bonds, notes, and coupons on file.

Appended to this report is a table showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash.

On examination of vouchers and classification of payments, it was noted that accident insurance premiums are paid on account of the volunteer fire department. While a town may indemnify a fireman for injuries sustained in the line of duty as provided by Section 100, Chapter 41, General Laws, there is no provision of law authorizing the expenditure of public funds for accident insurance.

It was also noted that the town carries liability insurance on automobiles, trucks and tractors. Attention in this connection is called to the fact that there is no liability on the part of the town for accidents in which town-owned equipment may be involved, with the exception of equipment used in activities of a commercial nature; therefore, premiums for liability insurance on equipment used in the performance of strictly public functions may not be legally paid. Premiums may be

paid, however, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 458, Acts of 1931, for effecting insurance providing indemnity to town employees for their liability for damages to others for bodily injuries caused by operating town-owned motor vehicles.

The treasurer's custom of treating early January receipts as receipts of the preceding year should be discontinued, as it is contrary to Section 56, Chapter 44, General Laws.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and verified. The commitments were proved to the assessors' warrants; the recorded collections were verified by a comparison with the payments to the treasurer, as shown by the treasurer's books; the abatements, as recorded, were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted; and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's books.

The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the book as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

Summary tables of the tax accounts are appended to this report.

The town clerk's records of licenses issued for the town, of sporting licenses issued for the State, and of dog licenses issued for the county were examined and checked, the payments to town, State, and county, respectively, being verified.

Appended to this report are tables showing summaries of the town clerk's accounts.

The books and accounts of the water department were examined and checked. The records of charges were analyzed and the recorded payments to the treasurer were checked with the treasurer's records. The abatements, as recorded, were checked with the water commissioners' record of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled.

Appended to this report are tables relative to the water accounts.

In addition to the departments and accounts mentioned, the accounts of all other departments collecting money for the town were examined

and reconciled with the treasurer's and the accountant's books, tables relative thereto being appended to this report.

No record of payments to the town treasurer of collections at the cemetery for care of lots, opening graves, etc., was noted. Apparently the cemetery superintendent retains such receipts in lieu of salary from the town. In this connection, it is recommended that provisions be made by the town for the salary of the cemetery superintendent and that all cemetery receipts be paid into the town treasury, as required by Section 53, Chapter 44, General Laws, which reads as follows:

All moneys received by any town officer or department, except as otherwise provided by special acts and except fees provided for by statute, shall be paid by such officer or department upon their receipt into the town treasury. Any sums so paid into the town treasury shall not later be used by such officer or department without a specific appropriation thereof, except that sums allotted to towns for highway purposes by the commonwealth or a county, which shall be used only for the purposes specified by the officials making the allotment or to meet temporary loans issued in anticipation of such allotment as provided in sections six or six A, shall be available therefor without any appropriation.

The savings bank books representing the investments of the several trust funds belonging to the town were examined and listed. The recorded income was proved, the disbursements were verified, and the accounts were reconciled with the treasurer's and the accountant's books.

Appended to this report are tables showing the condition of the trust funds.

The surety bonds of the town treasurer, town clerk, and tax collector for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

For the co-operation received from the several town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. FENTON,

Chief Accountant

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

As the Middlesex County Extension Service is a public institution cooperating with local agencies it is felt that the town might be interested in a report. The Extension Service, as many realize, is a county institution, carried on by a board of trustees appointed by the county commissioners, and cooperates with the towns and cities in promoting work in agriculture and homemaking for adults, and with the boys and girls in 4-H Clubs.

Eleven homemakers carried the series of meetings on improved dining rooms and kitchens. They report 123 improvements in their homes as a result of these meetings. They shared the information received with 37 other women who were unable to attend the meetings.

One group of young mothers under the leadership of Mrs. Roderick Cameron and Mrs. A. G. MacLeod carried a series of meetings in Child Guidance and Parent Education. 15 mothers were enrolled and report 146 improved methods in guiding their children. They shared the information with 31 other mothers who could not attend the meetings.

A single meeting was held during the summer on canning with Professor W. R. Cole from the State College present.

The home demonstration agent called upon the chairman of the Welfare Board to offer the cooperation of the Extension Service in meeting the clothing and food problems.

There were ninety-two boys and girls enrolled in the 4-H Clubs. They carried on work in food, clothing, homecraft, canning and garden clubs. They were under the leadership of Miss Henrietta Swain, Mrs. Frank Patch, Mrs. Howard Cates, Mrs. Paul Todd, Mr. Norman Darling, Mr. Louis Doucette, and Mr. Oscar DuBord.

Pauline Todd and Phyllis Watters represented Middlesex County at Camp Vail held at the Eastern States Exposition. Here they daily demonstrated cooking, using the equipment of the Walker True Blue Club. One of the aims of the demonstration was to show that good products were possible with limited homemade equipment.

Florence Bousfield was awarded a two-day trip to the Massachusetts State College on her excellent work as a food club member.

In the girls' athletic contest held at the county rally, Kathleen Rigio was awarded first.

In the spring, the clubs combined and held an excellent exhibit and program for parents. In September the garden club members had a splendid display of their products in the window of the Economy Store and still later exhibited at the Wilmington Grange Fair.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Wilmington:

Owing to the sudden decease of the Agent of this Board, which occurred prior to the preparation and filing of his Annual Report for 1932, it is not possible to present accurate statistics showing in detail the cases of reportable diseases for the year.

It will be sufficient, however, to state that the cases were less in number than in previous years.

No serious outbreaks occurred during the year and generally the Town maintains its high reputation for healthfulness.

Harold E. Melzar,

Walter G. Buckle,

John T. Holmes,

BOARD OF HEALTH

# REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my fifteenth report as Chief of the Fire Department.

This Department has answered calls as follows for the year ending December 31, 1932.

## RECORD OF ALARMS

	House	Chimney	Brush	Total
January .....	3		4	7
February .....	8			8
March .....	7		15	22
April .....	4		29	33
May .....	6		31	37
June .....	2	1	3	6
July .....	4	1	22	27
August .....	4	1	1	6
September .....	2			2
October .....	4			4
November .....	13		4	17
December .....	7		7	14
	<hr/> 64	<hr/> 3	<hr/> 116	<hr/> 183

Valuation of Buildings Destroyed .....	\$12,400.00
Valuation of Buildings Not Destroyed .....	63,775.00
Damage to Buildings .....	4,063.00
Valuation of Contents .....	30,485.00
Damage to Contents .....	7,010.00
Valuation of Autos .....	2,200.00
Damage to Autos .....	1,950.00
Valuation of Trucks .....	2,050.00
Damage to Trucks .....	\$100.00



Number of feet of 2½-inch hose laid .....	19,400
Number of feet of 1½-inch hose laid .....	34,150
Number of feet of Chemical hose laid .....	3,900
Gallons of Chemical .....	1,630
Fire Permits Issued .....	205
Oil Permits Issued .....	63
Hydrants Used .....	34
Mileage of Trucks:	
Reo .....	577.1
La France .....	231.8
Ford No. 4 .....	434.6

### ROLL OF DEPARTMENT

Chief	Asst. Chief
Edwin L. Day	Winfred W. Rice

Captain  
Chester T. Horton

Clerk  
Charles H. Black

Members		
W. G. Buckle	E. H. Downing	J. J. McAndrew
J. W. Castine	N. W. Darling	N. W. Perry
L. S. Carter	E. W. Eames	H. S. Quigley
John L. Cotton	F. A. Field	N. W. Rice
Joseph Cotton	J. R. Gracie	R. K. Wood
George Cotton	J. F. Muse	

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN L. DAY,  
Chief of Fire Department.

# REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1932:

	Sealed	Con- demned
Platform scales over 5,000 lbs. ....	3	
Platform scales under 5,000 lbs. ....	16	
Counters over 100 lbs. ....	2	
Counters under 100 lbs. ....	13	
Springs over 100 lbs. ....	10	
Springs under 100 lbs. ....	41	3
Computing under 100 lbs. ....	16	1
Personal weighing scale ....	4	1
Avoirdupois ....	96	
Liquid Measures ....	186	
Gasoline Pumps ....	55	2
Kerosene Pumps ....	8	1
Quantity Stops on Pumps ....	291	
Oil measuring pumps ....	14	
Gasoline meters ....	11	

Sealing fees collected and turned over to Town Treasurer .... \$66.47

The following is Re-weights of Commodities for Immediate Delivery:

	Number Tested	Number Correct	Incorrect Under	Over
Coal in paper bags .....	28	28		
Grain or feed .....	14	2		12
Butter .....	33	33		
Dry Commodities .....	12	3		9
Bread .....	28	17		11
	<hr/> 115	<hr/> 83		<hr/> 32

Number of licenses inspected .....	9
Hawkers and peddlers scales tested .....	6
Transient vendors licenses approved .....	2
Clinical thermometers observed .....	8

**Appropriation and Expense of Department as follows:**

Appropriation .....	\$350.00
Transferred .....	65.00

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\$415.00

Total Expense ..... \$415.00

Respectively submitted,

JOHN F. MUSE,

Sealer.

# REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

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January 20, 1933

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit a report of the Inspection of Buildings Department for the year 1932.

The total number of permits issued was 46 there being 27 new construction and 19 alterations.

The fees of \$36.50 were collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHESTER T. HORTON,  
Building Inspector.

## REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT AND TREE WARDEN

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

Due to the large reductions in appropriations for the following departments the amount of work done was considerable less than former years.

In the Moth Department no spraying attempted whatever, but in some sections of the town where egg clusters were found the customary creosoting was done.

In the Tree Warden's Department a number of diseased trees were removed and necessary trimming has been done as much as possible.

Details of expenditures will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER A. McGRANE,

Moth Superintendent and Tree Warden.

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF WILDWOOD CEMETERY

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During the past year work has been confined mostly to the care and upkeep of the Cemetery. Special attention was given to that part of the Cemetery known as the "older part of the cemetery" including the straightening and repairing of stones which have tipped or fallen. In some cases broken stones have been mended. Corner curbings have been placed at the entrance to some of the avenues and the Board hopes to continue this work and curb all such corners for the protection of the lot owners so that there will be no driving over the corner of their lots.

We are glad to report that in compliance with the vote at the last Town Meeting we have been able to install Town water in the Cemetery. Due to an advantageous purchase we have been able to lay the entire system with cement lined pipe which means that the system will not need to be replaced for a great many years.

Hose curbs have been installed so that any part of the Cemetery may be reached with a line of hose. In addition to this, at convenient points, faucets and bubblers have been installed so that visitors to the Cemetery may secure water for vases and also find it convenient to secure drinking water.

With the water in the Cemetery, during dry periods it may be possible to save the grass which in other years has been burned and sometimes practically destroyed.

A survey has been made of the Cemetery land and the balance of available land has been plotted out for future development. It will be necessary during the coming year to develop additional lots as, there are not many available lots for sale at present.

During the past year several people have placed their lots under Perpetual Care and these lots will receive attention during the coming years.

There are a number of lots in the Cemetery which need attention and we would suggest that these lot owners do something toward improvements. We will be glad at any time to make suggestions and to estimate costs for the improvement of lots.

A report of the expenditures and receipts will be found in detail in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectively submitted,

LOUIS T. McMAHON, Chairman,  
GUY E. NICHOLS,  
WALLACE E. BARROWS

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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The details of the Library for the year is submitted in the report made by the Librarian.

During the past year the volumes of books purchased for the Library have necessarily been limited. This is due to the decrease of the appropriation as voted at the last Annual Town Meeting.

The Trustees of the Library have no recommendation regarding amount to be appropriated — this is left entirely to the citizens to determine just how much they want to appropriate for the purchase of additional reading matter.

During the past year we have had some suggestions from readers asking for certain books that they would like to have purchased. In so far as it was possible to obtain these books the requests were complied with.

There are, no doubt individuals who purchase books and after reading, lay them aside. If those books are of a nature that would be interesting to other people we would welcome the donation of such books to the Library and credit will be given to the party who makes the gift.

The financial report of the Library showing expenditures and receipts will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectively submitted,

EDWARD N. EAMES, Chairman  
LOUIS T. McMAHON,  
HOWARD E. BEDELL,  
HELEN H. BUCK,  
PETER NEILSON  
PHILIP B. BUZZELL.



## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

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To the Honorable Board of Trustees:

I herewith submit my annual report as Librarian.

Public documents, books, pamphlets, bulletins, leaflets and circulars received, 146.

A portrait of George Washington, two copies of the song composed for Washington Celebration, two pamphlets, three clip sheets and poster have been received from United States Government George Washington Bicentennial Commission; three portraits of Washington have been received from War Department, Recruiting Publicity Bureau, United States Army and one portrait of Washington has been given by H. F. Sinclair.

A poster "Flags of American Liberty" has been received from Mrs. Edith Nurse Rogers; also three posters from Hertzberg Bindery.

Number of books presented .....	10 volumes
Number of books purchased .....	195 volumes
One book reported lost, found by borrower and returned	
Number of books not returned by borrowers .....	4 volumes
Number of books worn out and discarded .....	2 volumes
Number of books in Library .....	6,491 volumes
Number of books taken out during the year .....	11,804 volumes
Number of persons taking out books .....	798

The reading table has been supplied from the Town appropriation with the following magazines: Radio News, Popular Science, Popular Mechanics, Scientific American, National Sportsman, Hygeia, Nature Magazine, National Geographic, Good Housekeeping, Woman's Home Companion, The American, Country Gentleman, Boy's Life, The Youth's Companion combined with The American Boy, St. Nicholas and Child Life.

Some others contributed by friends are Our Dumb Animals, Living Tissue, Columbia, N. E. Poultryman, Bell Telephone Quarterly, American Issue, Specialty Salesman, U. S. Army Recruiting News, Silent

Hostess, The World Tomorrow (beginning with Nov. 2nd. copy) and  
the Town paper, Wilmington News.

Received for fines on books .....	\$73.34
Received for one book lost, one ruined and one damaged	1.15
Received for three old books sold .....	.30
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Passed in to Town Treasurer .....	\$74.79

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA T. SHELDON,

Librarian.

## COLLECTOR'S ACCOUNT

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### Account of 1930 Tax

Uncollected January 1932 .....	\$5,635.57
Taxes collected .....	\$3635.89
Taxes abated .....	634.43
Tax Titles .....	719.82
	4990.14
Uncollected January 1933 .....	\$645.43
Interest Collected .....	\$348.07

### Account of 1931 Tax

Uncollected January 1932 .....	\$101695.16
Taxes Collected .....	\$84003.71
Taxes Abated .....	1363.11
Tax Titles .....	2709.70
	88076.52
Uncollected January 1933 .....	13618.64
Interest Collected .....	\$3811.91

### Account of 1932 Tax

Commitment .....	\$153248.33
Additional .....	267.50
	\$153515.83
Taxes Collected .....	\$63895.89
Taxes Abated .....	225.51
	64121.40
Uncollected January 1933 .....	\$89394.48
Interest Collected .....	\$96.89

### Account of 1931 Old Age Assistance Tax

Uncollected January 1932 .....	\$464.00
Taxes Collected .....	\$284.00
Refund from State .....	56.00
	340.00
Uncollected January 1933 .....	\$124.00

## Account of 1932 Old Age Assistance Tax

Commitment .....	\$1230.00	
Additional .....	4.00	
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		\$1234.00
Taxes Collected .....	\$656.00	
Refund from State .....	24.00	680.00
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Uncollected January 1933 .....		\$554.00

## Account of 1929 Excise Tax

Uncollected January 1932 .....		\$1571.89
Collected .....	\$325.68	
Abated by order of Tax Commissioner		
	1246.21	1571.89
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Interest Collected .....	\$77.76	

## Account of 1930 Excise Tax

Uncollected January 1932 .....		\$2446.82
Collected .....		220.26
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Uncollected January 1933 .....		\$2226.56
Interest Collected .....	\$19.56	

## Account of 1931 Excise Tax

Uncollected January 1932 .....		\$4453.50
Collected .....	\$1544.72	
Abated .....	2.63	1547.35
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Uncollected January 1933 .....		\$2906.15
Interest Collected .....	\$76.00	

## Account of 1932 Excise Tax

Commitment .....		\$6075.11
Collected .....	\$2859.64	

Abated .....	79.20	2938.84
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Uncollected January 1933 .....		\$3136.27
Interest Collected .....	\$12.71	

George W. Buck

Collector, Town of Wilmington.

## REPORT OF THE CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

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The Carter Lecture Committee planned for the following programme for the season 1932 — 1933:

Nov. 29, 1932 — Miss Margaret Slattery, Lecturer

Subject — "The Mad Career of Four Words."

Soloist — Mrs. Celia Eames

Dec. 6, 1932 — Mr. Edward T. Hartman — Consultant to the State Planning Board.

Subject — "Town Zoning" — followed by a question hour.

Jan. 3, 1933 — Richard Keane, distinguished British actor.

Feb. 7, 1933 — The Mulliken Marimba Band, assisted by Ila Garber, Impersonator.

March 7, 1933 — Musicale — Mr. Ray Bangard, assisted by Mr. Howard Pate, and Miss Myrtle Pate.

Character Readings — Annette Dare.

At the preseat writing, all of the events have occurred except the last one, and have been very satisfactory to the committee, and very well received by the people of Wilmington. For many years the attendance at the lectures has been small, but this year it has been what it should have been.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. MILDRED E. NEILSON, Chairman

MR. ARTHUR F. BLAKE, Treasurer

MR. JOHN W. HATHAWAY, Secretary

MR. HARRY W. DELORIEA

MR. LOUIS T. DOUCETTE

# TREASURER'S REPORT SABRA D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

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January 2, 1933.

## Receipts

1932	
Jan. 1, Balance .....	\$53.63
June 1, Interest Mechanics Saving Bank .....	1.06
Dec. 3, Interest Mechanics Saving Bank .....	1.08
Nov. 30, Frank L. Eames Treas. Income .....	250.00
Dec. 31, Frank L. Eames Treas. Income .....	271.47
	<hr/> \$577.24

## Expenditures

1932	
Dec. 1, Margaret Slattery .....	\$55.00
Dec. 1, Mrs. Hubert Eames .....	10.00
Dec. 8, Wilmington News, Postals & Ads.....	33.75
Dec. 13, Wilmington News .....	5.00
Dec. 22, Edward T. Hartman .....	40.00
	<hr/> \$143.75
	143.75
Jan. 2, 1933 Balance on hand .....	<hr/> \$433.49

Respectfully submitted,

SABRA D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE,

ARTHUR F. BLAKE, Treasurer.

## REPORT OF THE WATER COMMISSIONERS

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The Water Commissioners are pleased to submit to the Citizens their annual report for the year 1932.

In accordance with the vote passed at the Annual Town Meeting in March 1932 a short extension was added to the line on Glen Road. This was the only construction added this year.

We estimated at the beginning of the year that we would add about thirty five new services and we are pleased to state that we actually added fifty-two.

now and for the future. To this end we find it is essential to keep our meadows mowed each year and as rapidly as possible to remove all leaf bearing trees and bushes from the water shed

It is our endeavor to try and maintain this quality both and replace them with pines.

We are very fortunate in having a splendid quality of water and one that requires no treatment of any kind.

The help given us by the Welfare Department was used on this work and we want to express our appreciation for that assistance.

Last year \$4600 was transferred from the receipts of this department to the interest account and this year we recommend the transferr of \$6000.

The following schedules set forth the various details of the department for 1932.

### SCHEDULE A

#### WATER

Year	Gal Pumped	Av. Per Day
1929	20,012,700	54,829
1930	26,556,200	72,456



1931	26,384,300	72,285
1932	33,494,200	105,175

## FUEL OIL

Year	Total Gal.	Cost	Gal per Mil.	Cost per Mil.
1929	1606.	\$90.77	80.2	\$4.54
1930	2137.	120.73	80.4	4.54
1931	2028.8	109.52	77.7	4.16
1932	3056.3	139.61	79.3	3.62

## LUBRICATING OIL

Year	Gal Used	Cost	Gal per Mil.	Cost per Mil.
1929	83.25	\$54.11	4.1	\$2.70
1930	90.00	61.55	3.4	2.32
1931	62.25	46.69	2.36	1.77
1932	88.25	66.19	2.29	1.72

## OIL USED IN HEATER

Year	Gal.	Cost
1929	3809.	\$215.23
1930	4204.	237.54
1931	5081.9	279.20
1932	4950.7	249.29

## SCHEDULE B

## Receipts

Water Revenue	\$9584.43
Shut Offs	163.36
Demands	23.17
Miscellaneous	337.21
Services (1931)	39.97
Services (1932)	1340.22
Interest	13.60
Hydrant Rental (Tewksbury)	120.00

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 11621.96

Hydrant Rental (Wilmington)	4960.00
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	16581.96

### SCHEDULE C

Appropriation	
Balance 1931	2670.87
Receipts	16,581.96
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	19252.83
Less Transfer to Interest Account	4600.00
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	14652.83

### Schedule D

#### Expenditures

Pumping Station	\$895.36
Trucks & Autos	789.93
Services	1341.22
Office (total expenses)	525.38
R. R. Rent	24.00
Tools	265.56
Insurance	373.70
Miscellaneous	113.70
Grading	74.08

#### Maintenance

Hydrants	98.15
Equipment	180.55
Station	59.71
Street Mains	17.00
Well Field	40.09
Trucks & Autos	66.63

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Pay Roll	7128.05	
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Pay Roll (Unemployment)	304.40	
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Total Expenditures		12297.51
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Balance to 1933		2355.32
Total Expenditures		12297.51
Cost 52 Services Town	876.78	
1 Meter	23.00	
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		899.78
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		11397.73
Unemployment Pay Roll		304.40
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Total Cost of Operations		11093.33
Cash Discounts for year		30.46

## Schedule E

Accounts Receivable		
Service Accounts		
Balance due 1930	20.00	
Audit Correction	.34	
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		19.66
Balance due 1931	39.97	
Received	39.97	
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Balance due 1932		42.02
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		61.68
Water Rates Account		

Balance due 1932	559.14
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Total Accounts Receivable Dec. 1932	620.82

**Schedule F**

Glen Road (1932) Extension Account	
Appropriation	500.00
Credit	8.00
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	508.00

Expenditure		
Pay Roll	329.20	
Repairs	40.00	
Damage	7.50	
Compressor	36.20	
Dynamite	45.57	
Oil	4.00	
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Total	462.47	
Balance unexpended	45.53	
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		508.00

**Schedule G**

Total Construction Cost	
Cost of Water System Dec. 31, 1931	376,664.31
52 Services	876.78
1 Meter	23.00
Glen Road (1932) Extension	462.47
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Total Cost Dec 31, 1932	378,026.56

Respectfully submitted,

Caleb S. Harriman  
Louis T. McMahon  
Alden N. Eames

## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Wilmington, Mass.

The work of The Planning Board this past year has been confined principally to the study of Town Zoning. This proposed By-Law necessarily presents a problem requiring intelligent, careful planning. The work as progressed to the point whereby the Board can now present tentative plans and By-Laws for the consideration of our citizens. In formulating these tentative plans, we are indebted to nearly every one of our Town officers. These men studied the problem with us on several occasions and their interest, suggestions and criticisms were most helpful to us.

It was indeed gratifying to find that almost to a man, your public officials, holding the trust and respect of our citizens, were in accord that Zoning is a device of democratic people, for mutual protection and is needed in Wilmington to promote the health, safety, convenience and welfare of the inhabitants.

We wish to express our appreciation to the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee in bringing to Wilmington, Mr. Edward T. Hartman, State Consultant to Planning Boards, who presented a most instructive lecture on Town Zoning. Mr. Hartman first made a survey of the Town, accompanied by The Planning Board and approved, with certain suggestions, the map and By-Laws prepared by the Board.

The next step, we believe, should be one of Education and it shall be our endeavor, during the coming months, to secure, in so far as is possible, the ideas and suggestions of the people in various neighborhoods.

Zoning is done by the people. They must provide the ideas embodied in the scheme, or accept as suggested to them by others.

A modest appropriation is asked for in the town warrant, to enable

us to provide maps, lantern slides and various printed material, in carrying out this program.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. NEILSON, Chairman

M. J. CURL

A. CHANDLER MANNING

GEORGE E. NEWCOMB

HOWARD E. BEDELL

Planning Board.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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Throughout the year 1932 the ordinary problems incident to the administering of relief by the Board of Public Welfare have been intensified by the present unemployment situation. It should be borne in mind that we must administer relief according to the laws that establish Boards of Public Welfare and assign to them their duties. In our consideration of all applicants we have continually weighed the effect of this unemployment assistance on the community as well as upon the persons aided. We feel that the majority of our applicants at the present time are the victims of the present unemployment condition.

During January and February the unemployed applied for relief in increasing numbers. As Spring advanced the majority of unemployed men were able to obtain work, and during the Summer the need for relief lessened, and for 3 weeks not an able bodied man applied for aid. As the year closed the request for aid increased and indications were that the Winter of 1932-33 would bring the largest number of applicants for aid in the history of the town of Wilmington.

The giving of welfare aid to the unemployed provides only temporary relief and your Board of Public Welfare sincerely hopes that immediate steps will be taken by the voters to provide employment for our deserving unemployed men.

Aid was given to 29 families whose settlements were elsewhere, but at the time of requesting aid they were residing in Wilmington. As the year 1932 progressed it was evident that the new applicants were persons whose settlement was not in Wilmington. These parties had come to Wilmington because of the low rent for which summer cottages could be hired. This is a serious condition for both the Town of Wilmington and the applicants. If aid is granted, the taxpayers of Wilmington have to provide the funds and the Town must await reimbursement from the city or town of settlement or state, as the case may be. In most instances the cottages are hardly livable dur-

ing the cold weather and possible serious injury to the health of the families may result. Where the applicant has a settlement elsewhere he is requested to return to that city or town, as the possibility of securing work in the place of his settlement is greater than if he stays in Wilmington.

During 1932, we rendered temporary aid to 68 families, caring for 303 persons, 118 adults and 190 children. Of the families aided 39 had Wilmington settlements, 14 had settlements elsewhere, and 15 had no settlement and constituted State cases. The expenditure by the Town for the cases not having a Wilmington settlement will amount to approximately \$3000. The Town will be reimbursed for this expenditure.

The method of procedure adopted by your present Board in March 1931 and outlined in our 1931 report has been continued.

All able bodied applicants for aid worked in return for assistance given. During last Winter sufficient cord wood to provide fuel during the present Winter was obtained from the use of such labor and wood is now being prepared for use next Winter. In addition to using the labor to supply fuel for our applicants the Highway, Cemetery and Water Departments have had the benefit of such labor. During the year 1932, 730 man days of work was received by the Town in return for assistance given applicants.

### **Mother's Aid**

During the year 1932 the Town had two Mother's Aid Cases. It is expected that one or two additional cases will be aided under this class of relief during 1933.

### **Old Age Assistance**

The purpose and intent of the Old Age Assistance Act continues to be misunderstood by many. A pension to a person over 70 years is not provided for. It is absolutely necessary that the applicant be a deserving citizen in need of relief and support. It cannot be overlooked that where there are children or other relatives, such persons should morally and legally provide for the care and support of their needy relatives. The applicant must be deserving as required by the Act. Assistance is not given to applicants who have not been



good citizens, persons who have been spendthrifts or have disposed of their property without thought of providing for their care in old age. In other words the mere arrival of a person at the age of 70 does not justify the granting of assistance. In addition to being in need of relief an applicant must be a citizen and have resided in the Commonwealth not less than 20 consecutive year immediately preceding his 70th birthday. There is no definite limit to the amount which shall be allowed to any person, but due regard shall be given by the Board to the circumstances and changes in the amount given in each case may be made as warranted.

As of January 1, 1933, 8 cases were being aided by this class of relief. During the year 13 applications were received, 5 applicants have been accepted and assistance given, 7 applications rejected for various reasons, 1 application is being investigated, 3 cases are being aided by other cities and towns to persons having a settlement in Wilmington.

We estimate that our expenditures during 1933 will exceed those of 1932 primarily due to aid being rendered by other cities and towns to families having Wilmington settlements, additional Mother's Aid and Old Age Assistance cases and increased requests for aid.

The amount of clerical work necessary to properly perform the duties of the Board is a most important detail and requires considerable time in addition to time required for our regular weekly meeting, visits to homes of applicants and other necessary duties involving the investigation of applicants.

A complete and further detail of our expenditures will be found in the Town Accountant's statement elsewhere in the Town Report.

We wish to acknowledge and express our appreciation for the contributions by individuals, of money, clothing and Thanksgiving Baskets. The thankfulness of the recipients of the donations for the thoughtfulness of the persons who gave, should warrant others to assist and if any person in Wilmington wishes to contribute to the needy of the Town, your Board of Public Welfare will be happy to co-operate. We are also grateful for the assistance and co-operation of the Churches, Doctors and local organizations and the community as a whole for the fine spirit of helpfulness evidenced by the

success of the Christmas Basket Fund. The co-operation we have received from the Board of Selectmen, the Town Counsel, the Board of Assessors, the Water, Cemetery, Highway, School and Police Departments in carrying on our work has been of invaluable assistance, and is gratefully acknowledge.

Respectfully submitted

CHARLES H. BLACK

GARDNER I. RITCHIE

WINIFRED N. NORTON

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit to you the following report as Inspector of Animals for the year 1932.

Number of dog bites reported .....	28
Number of dogs showing physical signs of rabies .....	1
Number of dogs submitted to laboratory examination ..	1
Laboratory report:	
Positive .....	1
Negative .....	0
Suspicious .....	0

Rabies was not so prevalent this year as last year.

Inspection of domestic animals:

Number of places keeping cows .....	52
Number of Cows .....	193
Number of herds tuberculin tested .....	11

Three fair sized herds had been tested and condemned and not restocked prior to my inspection.

Respectfully,

W. E. MERRILL, V. M. D.

Inspector.

## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen;

Gentlemen:

I submit the following report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1932.

During the year, considerable change has taken place in the appearance of the Police Station, located in the center.

Previous to alterations, the place was dingy and cold, and it was necessary for all persons, required by law to be kept in the lock-up, to be transported to the Highway Building, and an extra man employed.

The office of the Police Station has been entirely renovated, with whitened ceilings, two-tone gray painted walls and painted floors. A waist-high business counter has been erected and a strictly private office provided for the conduct of such private business as may come to the attention of the department.

In the rear compartment of the quarters, the portable cells have been placed with iron gratings about the windows, and work is in progress to provide sink and toilet accommodations.

Contributions towards the betterment and improving of the station were many, including the white enamel bowl for the sink, and the white toilet stand. The top board for the waiting counter, roll top desk and office chair, typewriter and two tables and plants were also donated. The entire cost to the department has been no more than the expense of an officer at the Highway Building.

All the work of remodelling has been done by men who have been assisted by the Town.

With the renovation of the Police Station, at a low cost, the appearance of the station has increased a hundred fold, and brings to all persons entering, an air of dignity.

I wish to thank the members of the different departments and the donors, for their splendid co-operation and their contributions.

Number of Arrests .....	79
Males .....	73
Females .....	6
Residents .....	33
Non-Residents .....	46

#### **Causes of Arrest**

Non-Support .....	8
Non-Payment of Wages .....	2
Drunk .....	25
Violation of Auto Laws .....	22
Assault and Battery .....	5
Insane .....	9
Breaking and Entering and Larceny .....	4
Larceny .....	6
Assault with Intent to Kill .....	1
Manslaughter .....	2
Selling without a License .....	2
Trespassing .....	3
Violations of Liquor Laws (Raids with Federal Agents).....	5

#### **Disposition of Cases**

House of Correction .....	2
Suspended Sentences .....	6
State Hospital Insane .....	2
Placed on Probation .....	8
Placed on File .....	19
Released .....	17
Number of Fines Imposed .....	11
Amount of Fines .....	\$ 385.00
Value of Stolen Property Recovered .....	\$4,266.00
Turned over to out of town police .....	14
Dogs disposed of .....	49
Warrants and Summons served for out of town Police ....	71
Cancellation of Auto plates, (Investigated at request of Registrar of Motor Vehicles) .....	68

Persons reported missing from State Hospital, found and returned .....	6
Other persons reported missing, (found) .....	5

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY J. AINSWORTH,

Chief of Police.

## REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with the requirements of the Town By-Laws, I submit herewith my report as Town Counsel covering the year 1932.

A. On January 1, 1932, there were pending the following actions by or against the Town, (exclusive of actions in which the Town was merely summoned as trustee, and in which it had no interest):

Hakey v. Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court.

(Action of tort by Mary Jane Surrette Hakey to recover damages for personal injuries alleged to have been received by reason of a defect in Middlesex Avenue; ad damnum \$5000.)

Town of Wilmington v. Wilmington Packing Company, Middlesex Superior Court.

(Bill in equity brought to enjoin the Wilmington Packing Company from conducting a rendering plant without a permit.)

Shepard v. Town of Wilmington, Essex Superior Court.

(Action of tort by Ernest J. Shephard to recover damages for personal injuries alleged to have been received by reason of a defect in Woburn Street; ad damnum \$4000.)

B. During the year 1932 the Town brought one action namely, a suit in the Superior Court for Middlesex County against Carl F. Wyckstrom, Administrator of the Estate of Otto Andrew Ohlson to recover the amount of \$82.16 due the Town from said estate.

During the year 1932 there was also one new action brought against the Town, namely, an action of tort by Nellie F. Bean to recover damages for personal injuries alleged to have been received by reason of a defect in the sidewalk on Main Street; ad damnum \$5000.

C. During the year 1932 the following actions by or against the Town were settled and disposed of:

Town of Wilmington v. Wilmington Packing Company, Middlesex Superior Court.

(This bill in equity brought to enjoin the Wilmington Pack-

ing Company from conducting a rendering plant without a permit was disposed of by a final decree entered by the court April 22, 1932 by consent of the parties, which decree embodied and approved a stipulation agreed to by the parties which provided that the respondent Wilmington Packing Company would not occupy or use the premises on Eames Street owned by it "as or for a melting or rendering establishment, nor for the resumption or carrying on of the business heretofore carried on by it on said premises namely, the manufacture and processing of fish material into a fish meal nor for the manufacture or processing of fish or animal material.")

D. The compensation received by the Town Counsel in said actions and in all other matters during the year is as follows:

Compensation:	\$585.00
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(This amount was entirely on account of services rendered in 1931,

Disbursements:	\$71.80
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Respectfully submitted.

PHILIP B. BUZZELL,

Town Counsel.



# REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS 1832

		Amount	Accumulated Interest	With drawn	Balance on Deposit
S. D. J. Carter Lecture Fund	Plac'stone No. 1879	\$2578.50	\$230.65	\$150.43	\$2638.72
	Woburn No. 56372	2000.00	289.98	195.69	2094.29
	Mechanics No. 11437	2000.00	263.21	175.35	2037.86
		\$6578.50	\$813.84	\$521.47	\$6870.87
Sears Cook Walker, Walker School Fund	Mechanics No. 12810	\$257.00	\$9.50		\$266.50
Library Funds:					
Chester W. Clark	Plac'stone No. 9497	500.00	46.55		546.55
Burnap	Andover No. 6712	200.00	63.84		263.84
Benjamin Buck	Andover No. 18241	500.00	46.36		546.36
Charlotte C. Smith	Mechanics No. 4215	500.00	178.40		678.40
Sabra Carter Common Fund	Andover No. 18340	200.00	96.42		296.42
Cemetery Funds:					
Isaac Cazneau	" No. 18985	100.00	63.57	\$6.00	157.57
Susan Carlton	" No. 18345	75.00	37.64	12.50	100.14
Geo. W. & Minnie A. Sidelinker	" No. 22450	200.00	36.54	12.00	224.54
Sabra Carter (Jacques Lot)	" No. 18347	200.00	98.34	4.00	294.34
William H. Carter	" No. 24631	100.00	33.46	4.00	129.46
Dolly Harnden	" No. 18342	100.00	18.45	6.00	112.45
Thomas P. Eames	" No. 18346	100.00	30.26	4.00	126.26
Sabra Carter	" No. 18348	100.00	69.10	5.00	164.10

Rich Carter	"	No. 22451	100.00	23.12	4.00	124.12
James Frazer	"	No. 18343	200.00	64.99	11.00	253.99
Martha Temple	"	No. 18344	100.00	22.15	2.00	120.15
S. D. J. Carter	"	No. 22579	200.00	150.75	6.00	344.75
Charlotte C. Smith	Mechanics	No. 4214	50.00	8.57	2.00	56.57
Charles F. Hopkins	Blackstone	No. 4248	200.00	74.39	6.00	268.39
Abner C. Childs	Woburn	No. 33384	100.00	45.64	44.00	101.64
Gilman C. Harnden	"	No. 32614	100.00	11.44	5.00	106.44
Laura Parker	"	No. 32615	50.00	10.75	2.00	58.75
Sarah G. Sheldon	"	No. 33814	200.00	93.38	6.00	287.38
Rufus C. Eames	Blackstone	No. 4642	100.00	8.14	3.00	105.14
John Sheldon Sargent	"	No. 4859	100.00	10.97	4.00	106.97
Isabelle Holt	"	No. 5169	75.00	10.22	3.00	82.22
Henry Blanchard	"	No. 5604	50.00	5.80		55.80
Nathan B. Eames	Mechanics	No. 6899	100.00	14.54	4.00	110.54
Thomas Day	Andover	No. 31514	100.00	22.98	4.00	118.98
Lorenzo Meads	Mechanics	No. 7176	100.00	8.87	6.00	102.87
Almira J. Carley	Andover	No. 32237	100.00	43.38	16.50	126.88
George E. Swain	Blackstone	No. 7304	100.00	6.75	3.00	103.75
Josiah Monroe (Care Elbridge Carter & Walter H. Blanchard Lots)	Mechanics	No. 7559	100.00	15.18	4.00	111.18
Jacob H. Shedd	Blackstone	No. 7701	100.00	15.15	4.00	111.15
George T. Eames	"	No. 7746	200.00	21.18	4.00	217.18
Jonathan Eames, 2nd.	Andover	No. 35188	100.00	19.98	4.00	115.98
Newman Parker, Jr.	Blackstone	No. 8259	100.00	7.82	4.00	103.82

Irwin E. Morse	Mechanics	No. 8531	100.00	14.18	4.00	110.18
Sylvester & Lois R. Carter	"	No. 8990	100.00	8.98	4.00	104.98
Capt. George W. McIntosh	"	No. 9662	200.00	38.69	12.90	225.79
Mary A. Gowing, Lot 410	"	No. 10283	100.00	14.03	3.00	111.03
S. Lizzie Carter, Lot 439	"	No. 10282	100.00	14.97	3.00	111.97
Julia M. Parker (Ward Parker Lot)	"	No. 10641	100.00	11.32	3.00	108.32
Manuel & Elizabeth Dexter	"	No. 10640	50.00	8.43		58.43
Jaques Gowing	"	No. 10639	100.00	10.18	3.00	107.18
Maude K. Tuttle, Lot 60 B,	"	No. 10693	100.00	20.68		120.68
Benjamin Glover, Lot 146	"	No. 10953	100.00	13.43	4.00	109.43
John W. Perry, Lot 222, Sec. D.	"	No. 10967	100.00	13.43		113.43
Mary E. Kelley, Lot 322, Sec. E.	"	No. 10968	100.00	11.29		111.29
Caleb S. Harriman, Lot 53	"	No. 11642	100.00	13.11		113.11
John N. Eames, Lot 137	"	No. 11643	100.00	13.11	4.00	109.11
Lemuel C. Eames,	"	No. 12493	100.00	7.93	4.00	103.93
Sarah H. Jackson, Lot 497	"	No. 12494	100.00	7.93	3.00	104.93
Henry G. Gowing, Lot 20	"	No. 12495	150.00	7.77		157.77
Susan A. Hamlin, Lot 646 A.	"	No. 12820	100.00	3.69		103.69
William H. McCabe, Lot 334	"	No. 12821	100.00	3.69		103.69
Walter A. Hill, Lot 458	"	No. 13322	100.00	.33		100.33
Rachel Clough, Lot 132	"	No. 13323	100.00	.33		100.33
Samuel Manning & Stephen Buck, Lot 73	"	No. 13324	100.00	.33		100.33

Clifford H. Wilson, Lot 54	"	No. 13325	100.00	.33	100.33
Edward B. Manning, Lots 196-203	"	No. 13360	100.00		100.00
			<u>\$8357.00</u>	<u>\$1787.83</u>	<u>\$9891.93</u>
				\$252.90	

Caleb S. Harriman  
 Edward N. Eames  
 Philip B. Buzzell  
 Trustees of Trust Funds

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Together with the Report of  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

For the Year ending December 31, 1932.

## REPORT OF WILMINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR 1932

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The Wilmington Public Schools were maintained during 1932 well within the appropriation of \$1,000,000. So far as cost of maintenance and record for low operating cost per pupil has been concerned.

The upper schools are over crowded and during the present school an afternoon session for parts of the evening and evening sessions have been necessary. Yet this has failed to relieve crowded conditions in the High School Building in classrooms and in corridors and at recess time. Confusion noise and delay result.

The only possible remedy is to provide more afternoon classes and beginning next autumn this will be done.

But under such crowded conditions all officers, teachers and other employees of the Department have cooperated and labored cheerfully and successfully and to them the Town should be very grateful.

JOHN W. HATHAWAY,  
OLIVIA H. MONROSS,  
NORMAN W. PERRY,  
HARVEY W. GOLDBERG,  
ALFRED A. ALLEN,  
JAMES H. DICK.

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## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Committee of Wilmington:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I present herewith my ninth Annual Report as Superintendent of Schools for the Town of Wilmington.

The gist of most reports of this kind for the current year will be finances. The country over, there seems to be a spirit of antagonism against public education because of its cost in dollars and cents. It would almost appear that we have degenerated into a nation of poor economic marksmen and therefore select the larger targets to shoot at to prove that we can hit something. Public education, because of the large proportion of the local tax levies required for its support, offers an easy target. Even the navy has given over the South Pole for the easier mark offered by the public

schools.

There is no doubt that money has been spent beyond actual necessity on public school buildings, but the same is true of post-offices, libraries, federal buildings, city halls, and many other types of construction paid for by taxation.

It is probably true that subjects have been forced into the school curriculum which should be taught elsewhere. It is interesting to note, however, that these have been forced in by popular demand rather than dragged in by education administrators. We have been obliged to educate children to make a living rather than to live. It would almost seem that the measure of success of education is that it fits young people to get a job rather than it teaches them to act intelligently when they get their pay envelopes. It seems more important that they get money than that they make proper use of it when they have it. They must be fitted to get the first job, regardless of their fitness to handle it so well that they may go on to a greater one. It is forgotten that man existed thousands of years before he began to live, as he now conceived living.

It is indeed true that educational costs are large compared to other items in many budgets, but is this true of Wilmington?

### **The Facts**

WILMINGTON SCHOOLS ARE PROVIDED AT ONE OF THE LOWEST PER PUPIL RATES OF ALL OF THE COMMUNITIES OF THIS STATE.

The average cost per pupil throughout this state is at least 50 per cent higher.

There are some communities which spend twice as much per pupil as we do, e. g. Concord, Northbridge, Swampscott, Boston, Springfield.

New Salem spent four times as much per pupil last school year. So also did Middlefield.

The little town of Prescott paid six times as much to educate each pupil as did Wilmington. Mt. Washington spent five times as much.

In a group of 108 towns which have a population of less than 5000 and which support a high school, Wilmington stood 105. This was for the year when our budget was \$70,000 and our enrollment 50 less.

WE are NOW educating children at the rate of less than \$60 each as compared to \$68 last year.

It is to be fervently hoped that the people of this town will not be stampeded, by the popular hue and cry about high educational costs, into an attempt to further reduce the already too small appropriation allowed for schools. We are operating now on a budget which is 25 per cent below actual needs and about 40 per cent below



the average. Last year we "got by" by virtue of a reduction in cost of transportation secured from a new contract and a shortlived year; by cutting every possible expenditure below actual needs; and by making none of the necessary repairs until we had reaped the benefit of ten months of scrimping. Due to the increase in numbers and the necessity for increased classroom accommodations, including the opening of the Opportunity Class in the North School, it seems an almost impossible prospect that the system can be operated another year on the same appropriation voted in 1932. This we have agreed to attempt, but successful fulfillment should not be expected without distinct loss to the children in the schools.

#### **In Ten Years, Jan. 1, 1923 to Jan. 1, 1933.**

The increase in school enrollment was .....	62.7%
The increase in school costs was .....	42.9%
The increase in all school accommodations was .....	28 %
The increase in new school accommodations was .....	19 %
The increase in teaching costs was .....	19 %
The increase in High School enrollment was .....	37 %
The increase in eighth grade enrollment was .....	68 %
The increase in seventh grade enrollment was .....	117 %

From the above figures it will be noted that:

School costs increased 20 per cent less rapidly than the number of pupils.

That new building lagged 43 per cent behind enrollment.

That cost of teaching increased 43 per cent less than the enrollment.

That the seventh grade is more than twice as large as it was ten years ago.

All of this goes to show that whatever may have been the orgy of spending in some communities, the local schools are being run at a cost which would seem too low for efficiency. We have only, however, to call attention to the success of our high school graduates to show that the fabric of our educational offering is sound, even though the embroidery be missing.

#### **What Lies Ahead?**

In every department of life that is always an important question. It is probably more important in these days of stress than it has ever been within the memory of most of us. Foresight is a necessity to the successful administration of a school system. Forecasts of future trends must be made in the light of experience.

Based on the experience of the past decade we may expect an annual increase in enrollment of 6.2 per cent. This means that in September of this year we may expect 66 more pupils in school than are enrolled at present. To all practical purposes this means an increase of two rooms in our requirements for seating accommo-



dations. As well be seen from the report of the Principal of the High School, this requirement will manifest itself in the high school building. In June we shall graduate about 32 pupils and in September about 100 pupils will enter the high school building. At present the building is used to more than 20 per cent of its rated capacity. It was built to accommodate 200 pupils and is used by over 400. In September the percentage will be increased to 233 per cent, or two and one-third times its normal rating. As Mr. Hood has indicated in his report, this will require a two session plan of administration. It will mean for both high and junior high school sections a loss of more than 20 per cent of time in school. All attempts at directed and supervised study will be either lost or turned over to parents. Home work will necessarily be doubled and the people at home must see that it is done. All school activities not carried on in classrooms will in a large measure have to be abandoned. Those things which build what might be called school morale will be all but impossible. We shall conduct a "knowledge factory" instead of an educational institution, and there is a vast difference between the two.

The loss will not be wholly spiritual. There will be a very definite increase in financial loss also. The school day will necessarily lengthen with attendant increase in expense of heat and light. A decided increase in transportation will appear, due to the change in classes at noon. We may be forced to change, by lengthening, the hours of all of the other schools in order to make the transportation in the morning and afternoon synchronize with the new school hours in the High School. This will necessitate a late afternoon walk for many children. Additional teachers will be needed; one for the senior high and one for the junior high school divisions.

The homes of school children, especially of those in the six upper grades, are bound to note an upset in schedules. Breakfast will be earlier, noon meals either earlier or later, sometimes both, if there are children in different grades. Children of the seventh and eighth grades will have to be supervised in study during the mornings at home; those in the four upper grades will be an afternoon problem for some busy mothers. Even more serious difficulties for parents may arise from this turning loose for half a day of four hundred and more boys and girls of the adolescent age groups. It is likely to prove a very serious problem and a source of distinct social loss for the community.

The writer is no pessimist. No attempt to alarm is intended. Such statements as are made are but the offerings from a quarter of a century of experience with boys and girls and difficult school problems. It is our duty to put forward just what the difficulties may

be in the circumstances which are with and before us.

The solution of the problem is, of course, simple. The answer is, more room. It is too late to expect that solution now. The present situation was forecast several years ago and definite proposals were made to the town to avoid it. Unfortunately nothing was done at that time, and economic conditions have so changed since then that present action seems impossible. It would appear certain however that the annual aggravation of conditions must eventually force the town to provide more adequate facilities for the education of the children in the six upper grades of the school system. We must make sure that the community be informed as to the seriousness of the conditions.

### **The Elementary Schools**

At present physical conditions are fairly satisfactory in the elementary schools. There is no overcrowding. There is still room for a slight expansion in some sections. We do, however have a very uneconomical situation in that so many children are being transported from the section of Burlington Avenue, Forest Street, Aldrich Road, and even lower Chestnut Street to the Whitefield School. The economical procedure would be to provide a building somewhere in the neighborhood of Boutwell Street, to take care of the increasing number of children of the elementary grades found located in this section. As it is, two busses have to pass over the Forest Street route in order to take care of the children. Many of these pupils are carried to the Whitefield School. The West School can provide accommodations for only the first two grades from this locality. Children in the remaining ten grades are transported; those in grades three, four, and five to the Whitefield School, and those above the fifth to the Center and High Schools.

With very few changes in the teaching staff the progress in the elementary grades is following its usual even and efficient course. Teaching is being done very satisfactorily, as a whole, and Wilmington is really receiving a remarkable high return on its educational investment. Our plant and curriculum are not pretentious, but are educationally sound. We are weak in embroidery, but our plain sewing is excellent. This applies from grade one to graduation from high school.

### **Changes in Personnel**

Several changes in the teaching staff have occurred during the year. It was found that by consolidating classes one less teacher was absolutely needed in the Senior High School. In June, therefore, Miss Wisotsky was released. The horde coming into the seventh grade in September together with the two session plan, made necessary another teacher in grades seven and eight. Miss

Margaret Delaney of Lowell was secured for this position. The Belmont school officials after seeing Miss Powell at work concluded that their school needed her services and her resignation followed. The position thus vacated was filled by Miss Alice Hathaway, one of our own graduates, and an honor degree holder from Radcliffe College. Matrimony claimed Miss Helen Blanchard from the Center School, where she was succeeded by Miss Ruth Giles. At the close of the fiscal year, Miss Nodding of Reading replaced Miss Maynard in the Whitefield School, when the latter took charge of the Opportunity Class.

While considering the teaching staff, an activity of theirs is called to mind which deserves mention.

During the Winter months of last year the teachers as a unit made an unsolicited contribution for welfare work among school children. A percentage of each month's salary was pooled in a fund which was administered by the Teachers' Club and the School Nurse. This fund was used to purchase clothing and shoes, and rubbers for children who might be kept from school for need of such.

In the report of the School Nurse will be found the record of another fine piece of public service performed by a group of teachers. The proceeds from this have been used for the physical betterment of children who might otherwise have had to be neglected.

These activities were carried out quietly without any advertising and probably escaped the notice of the local general public. They are instances of the type of teachers working for the town and should go far to change the opinion that teachers are "down on" their pupils. In fact the reverse of this is true. Teachers, good teachers, are extremely loyal to their classes. Their endeavors are for the good of their charges, even when what seem to be stern disciplinary measures are invoked. Parents often fail to realize this fact, and by giving sympathy and support and even criticism of the teacher, vitiate the intended good.

### Transportation

During the summer, bids were requested for transportation of school children. The contract was awarded to Holland Brothers of Woburn. A very distinct saving in cost was realized for a two year period. This saving came from a reduced cost per mile and from the reduction in mileage made possible by removing all "dead end" trips. We had been paying the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway for the mileage from the time their busses left the car barns in Woburn until their return thereto. Now we pay mileage from the point where the first child is picked up to the place where the last is let off. This makes no small difference in daily mileage.



TABLE II  
SCHOOL AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

As on Oct. 15, 1932

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X	XI	XII	T
South .....	11	14	9										34
West .....	19	23											42
Maple Meadow .	16	15	14	18									63
Silver Lake ....	25	14	19	24									82
Walker .....	28	25	28	33	34								148
Whitefield .....	30	23	35	49	41								178
Center .....						49	109						158
High .....								113	84	74	56	37	32 396
Total ...	129	124	105	124	124	109	113	84	74	56	37	32	1116

### Conclusion

The co-operation and faithful service of all my associates is deeply appreciated. Their faithful service during a difficult year has been an inspiration.

For the aid and sympathetic understanding of the School Committee a profound gratitude is felt.

Respectfully submitted,  
STEPHEN G. BEAN

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## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. S. G. Bean,  
Supt. of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I submit herewith my fifth annual report as principal of the Wilmington Junior-Senior High School.

Forty pupils, the largest graduating class in the history of Wilmington High School, received diplomas in June, 1932. Two members of this class are attending college; three are enrolled in other schools; three had been accepted by colleges for admission in September but had to defer their education to another year due to financial reasons; and a few others are considering the possibility of continuing their training at some of the schools in Boston. We wish that the number in attendance at college might be larger for this

class contained several who would profit by such training. Many of our pupils come from homes that are unable to finance education beyond the high school, and as a result, comparatively few of our graduates are in a position to seek collegiate training.

During the past eight or ten years, our teaching staff has demonstrated that it can prepare the young people of Wilmington to enter the best colleges or to fill positions of trust and responsibility in the business world. Consequently, the school is fortunate in that there were few changes in the teaching staff this past year. Miss Powell left in June to accept a position in Belmont at a considerable increase in salary. Miss Alice Hathaway, a graduate of this school in 1928, and an honor graduate of Radcliffe in 1932, was engaged to fill the vacancy left by Miss Powell. Miss Margaret Delaney, a graduate of the Lowell State Teachers College was employed to care for the increased enrollment in the junior high school. The election of Miss Delaney did not augment the number of teachers because Miss Wisotsky, a teacher in the senior high school, was not re-elected for the sole reason that we did not care to increase the faculty and the cost of instruction. The classes taught by Miss Wisotsky were added to the teaching load of the principal and remaining senior high school teachers.

The athletic situation continues to be unsatisfactory. Due mostly to the crowded condition of the building, we are unable to build up any systematic plan of athletic activities or physical education. We restrict our offerings to boys' baseball in the spring, girls' field hockey in the fall, and girls' physical education for about ten weeks in the fall and ten weeks in the spring when the weather permits the use of the Common.

The girls' field hockey team completed an unusually successful season. The first team won every game on the schedule and did not have a goal scored upon it during the season. The second team was also victorious in all of its games and was scored upon just once during the season. We played teams from such schools as Malden, Methuen, Manchester, Woburn and Billerica. Miss Coburn, the coach, and the members of the teams deserve great praise for establishing such an unusual record.

Wilmington Junior and Senior High Schools were organized as a single six-year high school three years ago when such organizations were relatively few in number. At the present time the six-year high school is rapidly gaining in popularity not only because it reduces the school cost, but also for the reason that it tends to keep the pupil in school longer than either the junior and senior high schools or the elementary and four-year high schools did. Practically all pupils who finish the sixth grade are too young to leave school; therefore,



quite as a matter of course, we have them enrolling in the seventh grade or the first year of the six-year high school. There is no gap or convenient dropping-out place between entrance and graduation in the six-year high school; consequently the tendency is for pupils to remain in school longer.

In the last survey of secondary education, just completed by the Federal Government, we find the authorities in charge of that project, recommending the adoption of the six-year high school for towns and smaller cities. Dr. F. T. Spaulding of Harvard University, a member of this survey board, states that educators are coming to believe that the junior high school as a separate three-year school is not producing the results expected of it. He further states that the tendency is to abandon such a plan and to combine the junior and senior high schools into one six-year unit. Quincy, Massachusetts, is rapidly changing its junior high schools into six-year high schools which will serve the various sections of the city.

The number of pupils enrolled in the high school building has increased from two hundred and eleven to four hundred and six in the short interval of time from 1928 to 1932. One is able to gather the proof of this statement in the following table:

Year	Pupils
1923 .....	165
1924 .....	184
1925 .....	192
1926 .....	200
1927 .....	205
1928 .....	211
1929 .....	238
1930 .....	335*
1931 .....	367
1932 .....	406

\*First year of the six-year high school plan.

From the information available in your office it may be conservatively estimated that the enrollment for 1933 will approximate four hundred and fifty pupils. This fact intensifies the critical situation in the high school, for the ever increasing number of pupils continuously presents new problems. Last September, it was evident that we would be unable to accommodate all pupils this year at a single session because every available space was insufficient to provide for the entire student body seeking admittance. As a consequence, we found it necessary to place the pupils of the first two years on a part-time plan of attendance so that the high school session is now organized in three-shifts. Grades nine, ten, eleven, and twelve attend from eight-thirty to two o'clock. Part of grades seven and eight attend from eight-thirty to twelve o'clock and the remaining

pupils of grades seven and eight attend from twelve to three-thirty o'clock.

This is not an ideal situation by any means, but seemed to be the only possible plan to adopt for this year without adding to the cost of pupil transportation. However, such a schedule will not work another year due to the continuous increase in enrollment.

Moreover, inadequate accommodations cause the students to be very crowded. There isn't enough room for the pupils to eat lunch in comfort; there isn't sufficient coat room space; there is no room available for the work of the physical education department; and there is no room large enough to assemble even one half of the school. It is difficult to operate a school of more than four hundred pupils without being able to have it meet for the purpose of explaining school policies and obtaining pupil co-operation.

Already, we have given considerable thought and study to the organization of the school for the year 1933-1934 and it does not seem possible to continue the present plan. A probable increase of forty or more pupils indicates that we must provide for an additional section in grade eight. With this in mind we recommend the adoption of a two-shift plan of attendance for the high school with grades nine, ten, eleven, and twelve attending from eight-thirty to twelve o'clock and grades seven and eight attending from twelve-thirty to four o'clock.

If the above recommendation is accepted, the present six-period schedule of the upper grades will be condensed into five periods. This will mean that the pupils of the upper grades will have to do MORE HOME PREPARATION than at present. The average pupil will have one study period in school; he now has two. Members of the eleventh grade now have one study period in school; next year they will have no study periods. Pupils in grades seven and eight will have the same number of hours in school as at present, namely, four class periods and one activities period.

We have studied and planned for the past three years to avoid this situation. We have to provide for a certain number of pupils and there is only a limited space available. We regret exceedingly that these pupils are to be deprived of a fair chance to secure an education on a full-time basis. The hours spent in school, even when on full-time, are all too short for the slower pupil. Now he is to be penalized and his opportunity to secure an education lessened.

The average person spends but few years in school in comparison to the years spent at work. It is becoming increasingly difficult to earn a living and a great deal depends upon the amount of education secured. Time lost at school can never be made up as most children receive but one opportunity to attend school. Nevertheless, the pupils of grades seven to twelve will be attending school for



part-time next year because we haven't rooms and seats to accommodate them. Undoubtedly when times are better the citizens of the town will take steps to see to it that their children have full-time schooling and an even chance when starting out in the world.

We will need an additional teacher in grade eight next year, also an additional teacher for the increased classes in grades nine to twelve. Both of these additions to the teaching force result from the increased number of pupils and the changing over to a shorter school day.

To summarize: The number of pupils attending school in this building will increase this coming school year; this increase will necessitate formation of a third section in grade eight, with the employment of an additional eighth grade teacher; the increased enrollment will force the adoption of a two-shift school day, with upper class pupils attending mornings and lower class pupils attending afternoons; the two-shift plan will compel us to shorten the upper class session from six to five periods; the increase in upper class enrollment will oblige us to employ an additional upper class teacher, who will teach partly in the commercial and partly in the general departments; and finally, if the school is to develop as an educational institution fitting for the duties of citizenship some thought should be given to providing a place where the school as a whole may assemble.

In closing permit me to express my appreciation to you, the school committee, teachers, and pupils for the consideration and forbearance shown me in these trying times. Without this splendid support it would be impossible to carry on the work of the school under the present crowded conditions. I have found the teachers very helpful and willing to work hard for the best interests of the school. Whatever measure of success we may have had is the result of all teachers working together in harmony.

Respectfully,  
J. TURNER HOOD, JR.

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## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit herewith my fourth annual report as Supervisor of Physical Education.

The Physical Education in the schools has, as in other years, been carried out along definite lines. The objectives of physical education are:

1. To inculcate health habits.
2. To develop the body harmoniously through a general systematic exercise procedure.
3. To correct and remedy physical defects.
4. To give a fund of exercise material for use in after-school days.
5. To give opportunities for the development and guidance of play spirit.
6. To provide situations which will arouse and increase the psychical qualities of courage, fair play, self sacrifice and loyalty.
7. To give positive instruction in citizenship through leadership and response to commands.

Last May, the schools gave their annual physical education demonstration on the Common. Every child from the first to the sixth grades and all the High School girls took part, demonstrating different types of work carried on during the school year. The Irish Jig danced by a group of fourth grade boys and the Balloon Dance by the fourth grade girls, along with the clowns, seemed to receive the greatest praise.

As was the case last year, the High School girls have all their physical education classes on the Common. It is possible to be out of doors for about twelve weeks in the fall and twelve in the spring. During the winter months all regular gymnastics are omitted, and the girls have one class in hygiene each week. We are able to have tumbling, ing and tap dancing after school.

Inter-scholastic competition is limited to field hockey. The girls had a very successful season and should be commended. The scores of the games played were as follows:

First Team Score		
Malden at Wilmington .....	2	0
Wilmington at Malden .....	2	0
Woburn at Wilmington .....	5	0
Wilmington at Methuen .....	1	0
Billerica at Wilmington .....	5	0
Manchester at Wilmington .....	1	0
Rockport at Wilmington .....	1	0
Second Team		
Malden at Wilmington .....	3	0

Wilmington at Malden .....	4	1
Woburn at Wilmington .....	4	0
Wilmington at Methuen .....	4	0
Billerica at Wilmington .....	5	0
Manchester at Wilmington .....	3	0
Rockport at Wilmington .....	1	0

In the spring the girls have class competition after school in outdoor basketball and baseball. In fact, last May, the girls baseball team played Billerica High School at Billerica and won, 26-8.

The seventh and eighth grade girls have two one half-hour periods of physical education a week. In the spring and fall the girls play hockey, baseball, basket ball, and soccer, out of doors. In the winter we concentrate in corrective exercises, Danish, Swedish, and German gymnastics, done standing in the aisles of the class rooms.

All seventh and eighth grades, boys and girls, have hygiene once a week. The basis of this work is "Science and the Way to Health". This book contains worth while information about health and the formation of fundamental health habits. The spirit and method of modern medicine and hygiene are also suggested in the lives of great health heroes like Leewenhock, Pasteur, Lister, Koch, Trudeau, Reed, Noguchi Goldberger and others. These men were not only scientists but also citizens of the world who devoted themselves with zeal to the public welfare.

During the spring and fall the grade schools are visited once every two weeks and during the winter months once every week. The remainder of the time the work is carried on by the grade teacher. The program consists of rhythms, calisthenics, drills, dances, mimetics, and games. The children are very enthusiastic about the after-school tap dancing classes. Great stress is laid on posture. Each child is examined and given a rating. Charts with the ratings hang in most of the rooms and the children show an interest in the posture work. Parents, however, should not leave this problem entirely to the teachers. Correction of improper sitting and standing positions should be made at home.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to Mr. Bean, principals, teachers, pupils, and school officials for their loyalty and cooperation in making my work a success, and help me to attain my goal, which is to promote a sound mind in a sound body for every school child in Wilmington.

Respectively submitted,

Edna M. Coburn.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Supt. of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Bean:

I herewith submit my annual report as School Nurse.

Guarding the health of the school children has been more complicated and difficult than usual this year.

The straitened financial condition of many of the families has been reflected in the health of their children.

The physical defects disclosed by the annual examination given by the School Physician were many and needed immediate attention in many instances. Thus we were confronted with a three-fold problem i. e. insufficient food, insufficient clothing and physical defects. The question of food was taken care of through the splendid co-operation of the Welfare Board.

The question of clothing, especially shoes and rubbers was taken care of by a fund donated by "The Wilmington Teachers' Club."

But there seemed to be no money available for the correction of physical defects. So with the assistance of Miss Betty Brown, teacher at the Walker School, Miss Ruth Maynard, teacher at the Whitefield School, Mrs. Lena Eames, teacher at the West School, Miss Edna Coburn, Physical Director and Miss Helen Cazneau, Music Supervisor, a very successful entertainment and Health Exhibit was given in the Grange Hall last January. The sum realized was \$211.91, which is being used for health work among the school children. To date the fund has been used for the following:

No. of children sent to Eye & Ear Inf. for glasses, 6.

No. of children sent to Eye & Ear Inf. for Tonsillectomy, 4.

No. of children provided with clothing for Health Camp, 2.

No. of children having dentistry done, 3.

No. of children having plaster jackets made at the Mass. General Hospital, 1.

No. of children sent to Heart Clinics, 4.

The third annual Dental Clinic was sponsored as usual by the Wilmington Public Health Nurse Assn. with Dr. W. J. S. McNally in charge. The report follows:

No. of children attended, 194.

No. of cleanings, 184.

No. of fillings, 717.

No. of extractions, 225.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the W. P. H. N. A. and especially Mrs. H. C. Barrows, President, for making this clinic possible.

We are constantly watching for children who might develop tuberculosis. Not with the old idea of curing, but with the newer idea of prevention. All known contact cases as well as all suspicious children have been given a thorough examination at the North Reading State Sanatorium. This includes an X-Ray of the chest and the Von Pirquet skin test.

One boy has been admitted to the N. R. S. S. and is much improved. Three girls were sent to summer health camps. The annual Health Seal Sale conducted by Mrs. H. C. Barrows provided the funds for Health Camp.

The second Diphtheria Prevention clinic was held last May by Dr. L. R. Orton, School Physician and 124 children were immunized. The 175 children who were immunized in May 1931 were given the Schick test to determine their immunity. Only 2 of the 175 were still susceptible to diphtheria and one was doubtful. The two positive cases were again immunized and all three will be re-Schicked this year. I feel that this work is very important and believe that in time diphtheria will be as unheard of as small-pox.

I wish to thank you Mr. Bean, and every teacher and supervisor for the splendid co-operation I have received in this great task of making the school children of Wilmington healthier and happier.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ESTHER H. NICHOLS, R. N.

School Nurse.

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

Mr. S. G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit my fourth annual report as supervisor of drawing.

My aim in teaching drawing in the schools is, not to make artists out of every child, but, to help him to appreciate the beauty and color in nature and art, to use drawing as a means of expressing himself freely, to develop hand skill, an accuracy in following directions.

Every two weeks, in the grades, I visit each room for a forty-five minute period. Then, the regular teachers continue the work by teaching two lessons a week.

In the first six grades, a great deal of "representation" drawing has been accomplished, such as, illustrating stories, making booklets of different countries, health posters, and free-expression work, which must be entirely the child's own work.

"Design" is another important part of the art work. It is surprising how much most of the children know about color combinations, geometric shapes, repetition, and balance. By this knowledge, they are able to develop the most interesting and original designs.

The two sessions of the seventh and eighth grades make it necessary to have just thirty minutes a week for drawing that I teach entirely. Last winter we accomplished a great deal in these grades, but this fall, to save time, it has been necessary to do work that does not include water-colors, so we have spent most of the time learning to letter properly. Besides lettering in the seventh grades, they have numbered a calendar and illustrated them with original pictures. The eighth grades are just starting their design work.

The High School freehand and mechanical drawing classes come after school once a week for one hour. They have made posters for the Senior play, Athletic Club play, and are now doing some travel posters. Several lessons have been spent this year on figure drawing in pencil outline, ink silhouettes, charcoal, and pastels. Some of the scenery for the Athletic Club play was made by one of the High School pupils.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to Mr. Bean, principals, teachers, and pupils, for their co-operation and activity in making the drawing successful.

Respectfully submitted,  
SHIRLEY H. GULLIVER

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## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

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Mr. Stephen G. Bean,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit my second annual report as Supervisor of Music.

We have been fortunate this year in obtaining new music books for the first five grades. Through this new material a definite work-



able program is being carried out.

The three main objectives are: first that music shall make the child happier and more sensitive to beauty and, as a socializing force, shall help him to adjust himself to his environment; second, that the material and plan of study shall offer exploratory opportunities in which the teacher and parents may discover the latent capacities and interests of the child and in which the child will find himself musically; and third, that this organized experience shall set up influences which will serve the child as recreational, cultural, avocational and vocational guidance in the development of his relationship with music.

In addition to the finest song material, this course of study includes a program of rhythmic development correlated with physical education; studies correlated with instrumental music; and music material correlating with the parallel fields of study in literature, history, geography and art.

The joy and pride taken in this new material by the pupils is ample proof of its value.

My time schedule remains the same as last year. A visit is made to the grade schools every two weeks, allowing forty-five minutes to a room. The seventh and eighth grades are visited for forty minutes each week.

The lack of room in the High School building makes large chorus work impossible for Junior High and High School students; however the Boys' and Girl's Glee Clubs meet once a week after school.

The membership of the High School orchestra has increased with the addition of three violins, a cornet, clarinet and trombone. Junior High School students are entitled to play with the orchestra, providing they are sufficiently advanced.

For lack of time and building space, I am unable to develop an Elementary School Orchestra for which I have material.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere thanks to you, Mr. Bean, the principals, teachers and pupils for the interest and cooperation that has been given me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,  
HELEN J. CAZNEAU

**School Committee**

John W. Hathaway, Chairman	Term expires 1933
Alfred S. Allen	" " 1934
Helen H. Buck	" " 1935
Olivia H. Norcross	" " 1935
Harry W. DeLoria	" " 1933
Norman W. Perry	" " 1934

**Secretary**

Stephen G. Bean

Superintendent of Schools	Stephen G. Bean
School Physician	*Lyman R. Orton
School Nurse	Esther H. Nichols
Attendance Officer	Ernest W. Eames

\*Deceased

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**SCHOOL CALENDER, 1933****Winter Term**

January 3, to February 25—eight weeks.  
Vacation one week.

**Winter-Spring Term**

March 6, to April 28—eight weeks  
Vacation one week.

**Spring Term**

May 8, to June 30—eight weeks.  
Summer Vacation

**Fall Term**

September 6, to December 23—sixteen weeks

**Holidays**

February 22, April 19, May 30, October 12, November 11, and November 30.



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Statistics can be gathered which bear out the thought that a snow bound Town suffers more in loss of trade than it costs to maintain a well organized crew with proper snow removal equipment. The Public demands good roads all the year. In order to have a well organized crew we must have work that can be done through out the year.

This coming year (1933) it will be necessary to accept new streets to provide winter work. I am proud to say snow removal for (1932) 519.65 includes horse plows, carting snow from square and truck plowing labor.

Every year Insurance one way or another claims about \$1200.00, as you might say, before we turn a wheel. Gravel was purchased this last year at better prices. Road Oil and Tar were the lowest price ever in my time, 45 percent Rd. Asp. 0442, 65 percent Rd. Asp. .045 and late fall price on retread Tar 09.

### Streets that were Graveled and Labor Cost.

Aldrich Road .....	504.95	Cross St. ....	69.06
Butters Row .....	369.58	Upton Court .....	40.25
Wash. Ave. ....	243.17	Parker St. ....	299.00
Marion St. ....	822.68	Lake St. ....	41.37
Ballardvale St. ....	234.17	Glen Rd. ....	85.98
Concord St. ....	517.15	Ice Sanding .....	177.68
Storm Drainage, West St. ....			124.41

We wish to express apperciation for work done by the Welfare Board in clearing our roadsides of brush.

For your information, I will quote approximate costs on equipment, each unit separately, for gasoline oil and repairs, for the year 1932 and the average day cost of each unit.

	Year	Day
G. M. C. Truck No. 1	793.20.	4.61
G. M. C. Truck No. 2	598.15.	5.44
Chev. Truck No. 3	225.58.	1.35
Reo Truck No. 4	382.32.	1.98
Roller .....	133.87	3.43
Tractor .....	645.35	11.55
Loader .....	414.12	2.45
Mixer .....	92.46	1.42

Ford exchange \$250.00, running expense for full year \$199.32

We were requested to petition the County Commissioners to bound Shawsheen Ave., before they would help us on Chap. 90 Cont. this last year. It is still a question what this will cost.

Recommend for 1933 Town Acct. ....	\$15,000.00
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Chap. 90, Maintenance .....	1,200.00
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Const. on Shawsheen Ave. ....	3,000.00
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Recommend repairs on Chestnut St., culvert over Maple Meadow Brook.

Recommend trading Chevrolet Truck No. 3.

Respectfully submitted,  
 DANIEL ROBERT CARTER,  
 Superintendent of Streets.

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## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

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Due to the fact that there was no work in this department there is no report to be made.

ARTHUR W. SPRAGUE,  
 Inspector of Slaughtering.

## TOWN WARRANT

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To Albert D. Butters, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greeting:—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the Town Hall on Monday the sixth day of March next at 9:45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 10:00 A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 P. M. for the election of Town Officers.

Article 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot for three Selectmen, who shall also act as Board of Survey; One Assessor for three years; Town Clerk; Treasurer; Collector of Taxes; Constable; Board of Public Welfare, one member for a term of three years; two members of School Committee for three years; two Trustees of the Public Library for three years; one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years; one member of the S. D. J. Carter Lecture Committee for one year and one member for five years; one Water Commissioner for three years; one member of Planning Board for three years; Tree Warden; Moderator.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington who are qualified to vote on elections and Town affairs, therein to assemble subsequently, and meet in Town Meeting at the Grange Hall, Wildwood Street, in said Town of Wilmington, on Monday, the thirteenth day of March, A. D. 1933, at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following Articles:

Article 2. To choose all other Town officers for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

Article 4. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following items:

- General Government
- Protection of Life and Property
- Health and Sanitation
- Highways
- Charities and Aid

Soldiers' Benefits  
 Interest  
 Public Library  
 Cemetery  
 Town Indebtedness  
 Unclassified  
 Reserve Fund  
 Education  
 Water Department  
 Care of Parks  
 Street Lights  
 Hydrant Rental  
 Public Health Work

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of revenue of the present financial year, the Vote to be as follows:

VOTED: That the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1933, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and debt or debts incurred under this Vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to renew or refund any notes issued in anticipation of revenue for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or what it will do in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will accept a bequest of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) given to it under the will of Lizzie T. B. Sweatt, late of Wrentham, Massachusetts, deceased, "as a trust fund the income therefrom to be used for the perpetual maintenance, care and improvement of the Bond Lot in the Town Cemetery in said Wilmington. Any of the income of said trust fund not necessary to be used for such purpose in any year to be used for the improvement of said Cemetery in other ways that may be deemed desirable by the Trustees of said Cemetery".

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Hundred Ninety Six Dollars and Thirty-Five Cents, (\$1,296.35) for interest account of

year 1932, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a Committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3 000) to be expended on reconstruction of Shawsheen Avenue under the direction of and with the aid of the State Department of Public Works and County Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the County of Middlesex as required by law on account of assessments levied on the Town for its share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Act of 1932 bonds maturing in 1933 issued in compliance with Chapter 10, Acts of 1932, also for any other indebtedness incurred and outstanding under said Chapter 10 also for the Town's share of interest on said bonds due in 1933, also for the care and treatment of tubercular patients under Acts of 1928, Chapter 335 as amended by Acts of 1931, Chapter 60, also for care, maintenance and repair of said Hospital for 1932 including interest on temporary notes issued therefor in accordance with General Laws Chapter 111, sections 85 and 85-A, and for all other expenses in connection therewith, determine how the money shall be raised, or in any way act thereon.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50) to cover incidental expenses of the Planning Board, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a Committee of two members to assist the Planning Board in its duties, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Eighty Six Dollars (\$386) to pay for effecting insurance providing indemnity for the protection of the officers and employees of the Highway Department and Police Department of the Town against loss by reason of their liability to pay damages to others for bodily injuries, including death, at any time re-

sulting therefrom, caused by the operation, within the scope of their official duties or employment of motor vehicles owned by the Town, to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) on account of injury to or death of one person, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended by Section 3 of Chapter 458 of the Acts of 1931, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for the purchase of land at Silver Lake for site of Silver Lake Portable School, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) for the purpose of installing drinking water in the Town Hall, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Five Hundred Dollars (\$6500) for the purpose of extending the water main from its present terminus on Burlington Avenue northerly on Boutwell Street to or near Taft Road, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for the purpose of extending the water main from the standpipe north to or toward Nassau Street, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000) for the purpose of extending the water main from its present terminus at Perry's corner east along Lowell Street to West Street, thence north along West Street to a point at or near the junction of West Street and Nickerson Avenue, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept Central Street as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept Floradale Avenue as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept about 550 feet of Brand Avenue from Bridge Lane through the intersection of Richmond Street as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.



Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept an additional 500 feet on Columbia Street extending easterly from the present terminus as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept 1,000 feet of Belmont Avenue from Columbia Street to State Street as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept 275 feet of State Street from Belmont Avenue to Fairview Avenue as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept 650 feet of Fairview Avenue from State Street northerly as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a Committee of three (3) to look into the matter of building and operating an Electric Light and Power System in Wilmington, this Committee to organize with a Chairman and Secretary and report at the next Annual Town Meeting, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400) to apply on the replacement of Truck No. 3 of the Highway Department, being the sum received from the Boston & Maine Railroad for work performed by this Department in 1932 and credited to Excess and Deficiency account, or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, immediately after making a service thereof.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this sixth day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Three.

HAROLD E. MELZAR,  
WALTER G. BUCKLE,  
JOHN T. HOLMES,

Selectmen of Wilmington.









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